

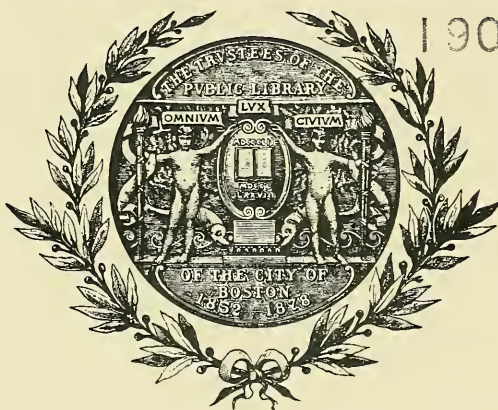
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OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
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GEORGE E. BROCK.

JAMES J. STORROW.

Term Expires January, 1910.

DAVID A. ELLIS.

Term Expires January, 1911.

JAMES P. MAGENIS.

DAVID D. SCANNELL.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Jan. 6, 1908.

The meeting for the organization of the School Committee of the City of Boston for the current municipal year was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason street Building, on Monday, Jan. 6, 1908, being the first Monday in said month, at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

The Board was called to order by Mr. George E. Brock.

MEMBERS-ELECT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The following communication was read:
Board of Election Commissioners,
Boston, Dec. 23, 1907.

To Thornton D. Apollonio,
Secretary, School Committee.

Sir:

We hereby certify that, as appears by the record of the votes cast for members of the School Committee, at the Municipal Election held on the tenth instant, in the City of Boston, the following named persons were duly elected, for the term of three years.

James P. Magenis,
David D. Scannell.

John M. Minton,
Melancthon W. Burlen,
David B. Shaw,
Alpheus Sanford.

Board of Election Commissioners.
Placed on file.

All the members of the Board, viz., Messrs. George E. Brock, David A. Ellis, James P. Magenis, David D. Scannell, and James J. Storrow, were present.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

The acting Chairman stated that the first business in order was the election of a Chairman, and directed the Secretary to call the roll.

The members as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

FOR JAMES J. STORROW: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis and Scannell—4.

Not voting: Mr. Storrow—1.

The acting Chairman declared Mr. James J. Storrow duly elected as Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Storrow assumed the Chair.

RULES AND REGULATIONS NOT INVOLVING EXPENDITURE OF MONEY ADOPTED.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That the rules of the Board and the regulations of the public schools of last year, which do not involve the expenditure of money, be adopted for the present year until otherwise ordered.

RULES AND REGULATIONS INVOLVING EXPENDITURE OF MONEY ADOPTED.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the rules of the Board and the regulations of the public schools of

last year, which involve the expenditure of money, be adopted for the present year until otherwise ordered.

ELECTION OF TREASURER.

The Board proceeded to the election of a Treasurer of the Corporation.

The Secretary called the roll, and the members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

FOR GEORGE E. BROCK: Messrs. Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow—4.

FOR DAVID A. ELLIS: Mr. Brock—1.

The Chairman declared George E. Brock duly elected as Treasurer of the Corporation.

RULES FOR JANITORS, ENGINEERS AND MATRONS AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS ADOPTED.

The Secretary submitted a revised set of Rules for Janitors, Engineers and Matrons of the Public Schools, and Regulations Governing the Use of School Buildings, which, on motion of Mr. Ellis, were adopted for the present year until otherwise ordered.

EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR PHYSICAL LABORATORY, GIRLS' LATIN SCHOOL.

The following communication was received:—

Boston Public Schools,
Offices of the Board of Superintendents,
Mason street, September 26, 1907.

To the School Committee:

At a meeting of the Board of Superintendents held on Thursday, Sept. 26, it was voted to recommend to the School Committee that an expenditure of five hundred dollars (\$500) for apparatus and supplies for the physical laboratory of the Girls' Latin School be authorized.

Respectfully submitted,
Thornton D. Apollonio,
Secretary.

City of Boston,
In School Committee,
Boston, Sept. 30, 1907.

Laid on the table.

Dec. 16, 1907.

Taken from the table, and referred to the next School Board.

A true copy.

Attest:—

Thornton D. Apollonio,
Secretary.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the expenditure of an amount not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) for the purchase of apparatus and supplies for the physical laboratory of the Girls' Latin School is hereby authorized.

EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL OF PRACTICAL ARTS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In School Committee,
December 16, 1907.

ORDERED, That the Girls' High School of Practical Arts be allowed the sum of seven hundred dollars (\$700); of which two hundred dollars (\$200) be expended for equipment and supplies for its industrial department, and five hundred dollars (\$500) be expended for chemical and other laboratory supplies for the equipment of its science department.

That part of the foregoing order authorizing the expenditure of \$200 for equipment and supplies for the industrial department of the Girls' High School of Practical Arts was passed. The remainder of the order was referred to the next School Board.

Approved, Dec. 19, 1907.

John F. Fitzgerald,
Mayor of Boston, Mass.

A true copy.

Attest:—

Thornton D. Apollonio.

Secretary.

That part of the foregoing order, authorizing the expenditure of the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for chemicals and other laboratory supplies for the equipment of the science department of the Girls' High School of Practical Arts, was passed.

The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Dudley District—Isabel E. Clark, from Nov. 4 to 8, 1907, inclusive, five days.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Margaret R. Kenneally, from Dec. 9, 1907.

Thomas N. Hart District—Dorothy Fairbanks, kindergarten, from Dec. 2, 1907.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Phillips District—Margaret E. Kelleher, assistant, from Feb. 3, 1908.

Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Lincoln District—Gertrude P. Cole, Alice F. Moore, assistants.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Edith M. Robertson, assistant.

Approved.

EMERGENCY LIST.

Edward L. Curran, Susan H. Lane.

Approved.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Bunker Hill District—(B. F. Tweed Kindergarten), Annie J. Murphy, from Jan. 2, 1908.

Lowell District—(Wyman Kindergarten), Marie Andina, from Jan. 2, 1908.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—(William E. Endicott Kindergarten), Mary C. Cummings, from Jan. 2, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Franklin District—Octavia L. Cram, assistant, from Jan. 12 until May 12, 1908; Ida M. Mitchell, assistant, from Jan. 2 until May 2, 1908.

Frothingham District—Etta G. Clarke, assistant, Dec. 12, 1907, one day.

Sherwin District—Caroline E. Josselyn, first assistant, kindergarten, from Jan. 11 until May 11, 1908.

Washington District—Emma J. Burke, assistant, Dec. 5, 1907, one day; Elizabeth M. O'Donnell, assistant, Dec. 9, 1907, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study, travel and rest, under

the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

English High School—William T. Strong, master, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for study and travel.

Mather District—Lillian B. Blackmer, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for travel and rest.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted the following-named teacher, without pay, for the term specified:—

Bowdoin District—Annetta F. Armes, assistant, from Jan. 23 until July 1, 1908.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of forty-nine minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

LECTURES, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Jan. 6, 1908, stating that in accordance with the recommendation of the Advisory Committee of Business Men for the High School of Commerce, which has been approved by the Board of Superintendents, it seems desirable to continue the course of lectures hitherto maintained in that school, and recommending the passage of the following order:

ORDERED. That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to establish and maintain in the High School of Commerce during the remainder of the present school year, one course of lectures, approximately twenty (20) in all, at an expense not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250).

The communication was placed on file, and the order passed.

JANITORSHIP, COMMON - STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 6, 1908, stating that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Common-street School-house, caused by the temporary transfer of the regular janitor, he had appointed Thomas Brennan, for a period of ten days or less, to date from Jan. 6, 1908.

Placed on file.

JANITORSHIP, SMITH-STREET AND PHILLIPS-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 6, 1908, stating that he is of the opinion that it will be for the best interests of the department to combine the janitorship of the Smith-street and Phillips-street School-houses, and recommending that Thomas F. Whalen, janitor of the Phillips-street School-house, be appointed to the janitorship of the Smith-street School-house, to date from Jan. 6, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis the appointment of Thomas F. Whalen to the janitorship of the Smith-street School-house, in addition to the position which he now holds, was approved to date from Jan. 6, 1908.

JANITORSHIP, TUCKERMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 6, 1908, stating that to fill the vacancy in the

janitorship of the Tuckerman School-house, caused by the transfer of the regular janitor, he had transferred John A. Downey, janitor of the Common-Street School-house, for a period of ten days or less, to date from Jan. 6, 1908.

Placed on file.

JANITORSHIP, COOK SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 6, 1908, stating that he had interviewed the three candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission for the vacancy in the janitorship of the Cook School-house, and recommending that George J. Hurley, who is second on the list, be appointed to this position, to date from Jan. 8, 1908.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table.

SALARY DUE NELSON WESTON.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the salary due Nelson Weston, late janitor of the Bowdoin School-house, be paid to his widow, Nellie W. Weston.

LIGHTING OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That the Chairman of this Board be requested to confer with the Schoolhouse Commission with regard to the adoption of Tungsten lamps in school buildings.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL, DORCHESTER.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Board of Superintendents and laid on the table at the meeting of Dec. 16, 1907, (see p. 188), with regard to new high school accommodations in the Dorchester District, was taken from the table and placed on file.

COMMISSION TO CONSIDER MATTERS AFFECTING THE HEALTH OF CHILDREN ATTENDING THE FIRST THREE GRADES.

The Board took from the table certain recommendations contained in the report of the Commission of Physicians, appointed in June, 1906, and acted thereon as follows:

IV. That the classes of the first grade be limited to twenty-five members, of the second grade to thirty-five, and of the third grade to forty members.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, placed on file.

V. That special provision be made for the care and study of the backward children, especially in grades I, II and III.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, referred to the Superintendent.

VI. That competent trained nurses be appointed to supplement the work of the medical inspectors.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Secretary was directed to call the attention of His Honor the Mayor to the action of this Board on Apr. 29, 1907, requesting, on the recommendation of the aforesaid Commission, that smooth pavement be laid on the streets adjoining school buildings to lessen the noise, and that the Mayor be requested to inform this Board what progress has been made in this direction.

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL COURSES, EVENING HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Board of Superintendents and laid on the table at the meeting of Dec. 16, (see pp. 188, 189), with regard to the introduction of more commercial and industrial courses in the evening high and elementary schools, was taken from the table and referred to the Superintendent, with a request that he prepare and submit a specific plan for carrying into effect the aforesaid recommendations, and for establishing such additional courses in said schools as he may deem advisable.

REPORT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF BUSINESS MEN, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the report of the Executive Committee to the Committee of Business Men on the High School of Commerce, on the progress of that school for the year 1906-07, was taken from the table and placed on file.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OF IMMIGRANT CHILDREN.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the Secretary be directed to make an investigation with regard to the school attendance of immigrant children arriving at and remaining in Boston during the period from July 1, 1907, to Jan. 1, 1908.

OFFICE HOURS OF MEMBERS OF BOARD.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That until further notice, the office hours of the individual members of the Board in the Mason-street Building will be in conformity with the following schedule:

George E. Brock, first and third Fridays, 4:30 to 5:30 P. M.

David A. Ellis, first and third Tuesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 P. M.

James P. Magenis, Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30 P. M.

David D. Scannell, second and fourth Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 P. M.

James J. Storrow, Mondays, 4:30 to 5:30 P. M.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 10:19 o'clock P. M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Jan. 14, 1908.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

CONSIDERATION OF FINANCES FOR YEAR 1908-09.

The Chairman stated that the meeting had been called especially to consider the finances of the Board for the year 1908-09.

Schoolhouse Commissioners Logue and Mullen appeared and stated the needs of that department with respect to funds for alterations, repairs and permanent improvements in school buildings, and the necessity for providing an additional amount therefor above the limit as now established by law.

The Board then proceeded to a general consideration of various items of expenditure for the current financial year.

COAL BUNKERS, NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide adequate facilities in new school buildings for the housing of a full year's supply of coal at one time.

PURCHASE OF BOOKS, GLOBES, MAPS AND CHARTS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Superintendents be requested to designate all cases on the authorized list where books, globes, maps and charts have two or more equivalents, to the end that the Auditor may purchase one article of any class, instead of two or more, if he finds that money may be saved by so doing.

TEXT-BOOK, EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Jan. 10, 1908, recommending that Key to the Study of Gaelic, with Exercises and Vocabularies, by John O'Daly, published by the Gaelic School, Boston, be authorized for use as a text-book in the evening high schools.

Placed on file.

Mr. Magenis offered the following:

ORDERED, That Key to the Study of Gaelic, with Exercises and Vocabularies,

by John O'Daly, published by the Gaelic School, Boston, be authorized for use as a text-book in the evening high schools.
Laid over.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT, BUSINESS AGENT'S OFFICE.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Jan. 14, 1908, stating that, subject to the approval of the Board, he had appointed Mary E. Kelleher as an assistant in his office, to date from Jan. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

TRANSFER OF A TEACHER.

The following communication was received:—

Boston, Mass., January 14th, 1908.

The Committee representing the parents of pupils in the Girls' Latin School respectfully request that the School Committee of the City of Boston receive them at a special meeting within a reasonable time that they may present a petition, and reasons, for the reinstatement of Miss Griswold in her former position as a teacher in the Girls' Latin School.

For the Committee,

I remain,

Respectfully yours,

O. F. Wells,

Secretary.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the Board hereby appoints Monday evening, Jan. 20, 1908, at 7 o'clock, at the School Committee Chamber, to hear all persons who may desire to present reasons for or against the re-transfer of Miss Griswold to her former position in the Girls' Latin School; and that Mr. O. F. Wells, as secretary of the committee of parents of pupils attending said school, and other interested parties, be notified accordingly.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

PLAN FOR A PENSION SYSTEM FOR BOSTON SCHOOL TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Conference Committee of the Boston Teachers' Club, under date of Jan. 14, 1908, transmitting the following outline of a plan for a pension system for teachers, adopted by said club at a meeting held on Jan. 13, 1908:

1. There shall be no compulsory age limit.
2. The teachers shall be required to pay no assessments.
3. A teacher may retire after thirty years of service, ten of which shall have been in the public day schools of Boston.
4. A teacher mentally or physically incapacitated may be retired after fifteen years of service on the full amount of the pension. When such incapacity ceases the teacher may be restored to the service.
5. The Board of Retirement shall be made up of the Boston School Board, Superintendent of Schools, and the Assistant Superintendents.
6. All teachers receiving a pension shall be paid the same sum which shall not be less than \$180 per annum.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the Chairman is hereby requested to introduce a bill into the Legislature on behalf of this Board, authorizing it to establish a pension system for teachers in the public schools.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That the Chairman is hereby
requested to introduce a bill into the Leg-
islature, authorizing this Board to appro-
priate annually for general school purposes
an additional five cents upon each one
thousand dollars of the valuation upon
which the appropriations of the City Coun-
cil are based.

JANITORSHIP, COOK SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The communication received from the
Schoolhouse Custodian, and laid on the
table at the meeting of Jan. 6, 1908, recom-
mending that George J. Hurley, who is
second on the list of candidates certified

by the Civil Service Commission, be ap-
pointed to the janitorship of the Cook
School-house, was taken from the table and
placed on file

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the appoint-
ment of George J. Hurley to the aforesaid
position was approved, to date from Jan.
16, 1908.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board ad-
journed at 12:44 o'clock A.M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Jan. 20, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENT OF A TEACHER.

Subsequently, the Board took up the question of approving the appointment of Margaret E. Kelleher on probation in the Phillips District, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of Jan. 6.

The appointment was approved.

TRANSFER OF ELLEN C. GRISWOLD.

The Chairman announced that in pursuance of the order passed at the last meeting of the Board, it was prepared to hear any person or persons who desired to present reasons for or against the retransfer of Miss Griswold to her former position in the Girls' Latin School, and before proceeding with the hearing directed the Secretary to read the following communication addressed to the School Board by the Superintendent:

Boston, Jan. 20, 1908.

To the School Committee of the City of Boston.

Gentlemen:—

In answer to your request for a statement of the reasons underlying the transfer of Miss Ellen C. Griswold from the Girls' Latin School to a position of the same rank and salary in the Dorchester High School, I respectfully make the following report:

Miss Griswold was transferred because she was not in sympathy with certain fundamental plans and policies essential to the improvement of the Girls' Latin School. Her dominant influence in the school was such that the transfer was necessary in order to render possible the more rapid correction of serious defects in the spirit of the school and the methods of instruction therein.

Defects Long Recognized.

These defects have been long continued and well recognized, and a further delay in their correction did not seem desirable. Each of the two preceding superintendents discussed with me the necessity of improving conditions in the Girls' Latin School. In a report made in March, 1904, I called attention to the inefficiency of the Latin Schools, and made some recommendations with reference to a change of administrative detail. This report did not discuss defects in the spirit of the school and in methods of instruction, because these are largely matters depending upon the individuality of the principal and teachers, and may be better corrected by persuasion and suggestion than by public discussion. From the beginning of my service in 1902,

as supervisor, I have made every possible effort to accomplish by persuasion and argument what is now attempted by means of the transfer of Miss Griswold, but I have always found the Girls' Latin School less responsive to suggestions, and more satisfied with its condition than any other school under my supervision. Having failed to secure any appreciable modification in the methods of instruction used in the school, I called a meeting of the teachers in April, 1907, at which I pointed out specific defects of the school, and stated that I expected material and rapid changes in the ideals and methods of instruction prevailing therein. I further stated that unless the teachers were able to modify and improve their methods, it would be necessary to transfer some of them to other schools. The amount of modification apparent was insufficient to convince me that the influential teachers of the school were in sympathy with the proposed changes. Events since the transfer have tended to show the correctness of this view.

Plans and Policies Well Considered.

Action in this case has not been precipitately taken. The defects of the school have been long under consideration and the plans for remedying them were not suddenly promulgated by the superintendent, with orders that they must be adopted.

In January, 1907, one of the high school principals wrote a letter calling attention to the fact that approximately one-fourth of all the pupils in the High and Latin Schools in the City of Boston were failing to pass their work. He urged that something be done to enable a larger portion of these pupils to reach the required standards. Accordingly, a committee was appointed, consisting of six assistant superintendents, five high school principals, five elementary school principals, and ten prominent teachers in both high and elementary schools. This committee held many meetings in the School Committee rooms. The topic was recognized as one of the most vital importance, and the interest was so great that nearly all the head-masters of High and Latin Schools attended the meetings and took part in the discussions, even though they were not originally appointed on the committee. I, personally, attended but few of the meetings. It was finally agreed by the committee that each head-master should present to his own school the conclusions of the committee and that later a general meeting should be held. This meeting was attended by head-masters of High and Latin Schools, teachers of High and Latin Schools, principals of elementary schools, sub-masters, masters' assistants and first assistants in elementary schools, and all others teaching graduating classes in elementary schools. At this meeting a public exposition of the plans and policies proposed by the committee was made. The principal of an elementary school presented the subject from the point of view of the elementary schools, a principal of a high school presented the subject from the point of view of the high schools, and the superintendent spoke from the point of supervision and general educational policy.

At the meeting of the Girls' Latin School referred to above, I presented the same plans and policies discussed at the public meeting, except that they were modified to suit the specific nature of the Latin School, and were illustrated with specific statements of defects, which I deemed undesirable to announce publicly. The committee that gave consideration to these plans was representative of all interests, amply acquainted with the best educational theory and practice, and thoroughly familiar with the conditions within Boston schools. They discussed carefully and repeatedly the many perplexing problems arising in High and Latin Schools. Some of the present

misunderstanding has arisen because the plans and policies recommended for the general high schools have been said to be intended for adoption in the Girls' Latin School.

The conclusions of this committee were in accord with the best educational thought of the time, and in so far as they bear on the present case, they are as follows:

1. The Attitude of Instruction Should Be Constructive.

The instruction given in a school should be constructive, not destructive; positive, not negative. Some teachers conduct recitations on the assumption that they are expected to cause the pupil to fail. No matter how well prepared a lesson may be, the teacher must, by some process, find something that the child does not know. Every recitation becomes a contest between the pupil and the teacher, in which the desire of the teacher seems to be to cause the pupil to fail, if possible. With many pupils, especially girls of a retiring and sensitive disposition, such a course is highly detrimental. For them every recitation becomes a severe strain upon their nervous system, and the final result is discouragement, and frequently complete physical breakdown. Exactly the opposite attitude should prevail. Pupils should go to the recitation eager to tell what they know, rather than afraid that they will be caught in something that they do not know. The spirit of the class should be such that the pupils will rush eagerly forward as far as their knowledge will allow, anxious to reach the uttermost limits of their achievement, and not be held back by fear of failure or criticism.

2. Standards Should Not Be Lowered.

The present standards of the Girls' Latin School cannot be lowered, and ought not to be lowered, but the methods and conditions of instruction should be changed, so that a larger number of pupils in the school will be able to reach the required standard. On October 11, 1907, Mr. Tetlow offered the following motion before the New England Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools: "I move that it is the sense of this Association that the requirements for admission to college would be improved by the introduction of changes or modifications in the direction of the six recommendations made by Mr. Farrand." The six recommendations referred to are that in algebra, geometry, physics, Latin and Greek Composition, English, and Ancient History, the amount of work required for admission to college be reduced.

Thus it will be seen that Mr. Tetlow recognizes the difficulties of meeting the requirements for admission to college, and advocates a reduction in these requirements. On the other hand, my efforts to reduce the pressure in the Girls' Latin School have not been directed towards reducing requirements for admission to college; but to modifying the spirit and methods of the school, so that the pupils having greater confidence and courage will do better work with less nervous strain, and with the final result that more of them will be able to reach the high standards that are at present established.

Many teachers in High and Latin Schools take pride in the superior quality of the pupils that survive what is called the "weeding out" process. This process has, in my opinion, been carried to an extent not justified in schools supported by public taxation. The Girls' Latin School, however, is a strictly college preparatory school, and it is proper that pupils manifestly unable to reach the high standard required for admission to college, should be excluded from this school. But, as a matter of fact, there have been some significant cases where pupils who have been forced to leave the Latin School on account of the discouraging conditions under

which they were compelled to work, have entered the college preparatory courses of the general high schools, completed the work with credit, secured admission to the best colleges, and finally graduated with honor.

3. Marks Should Be Based on Accomplishment.

The system of marking used in a school should be based on successful accomplishment. It is the fundamental law of life that one success begets another; that one defeat leads to a second. The teacher should arrive at a decision as to the mark to be given a child by what the pupil has actually done that is right, and not by the process of subtracting for each error from a theoretical perfection. By the latter process it is possible to mark a pupil zero for a recitation, although he has given hours to its preparation, and the work presented that is correct is much greater than the work that is incorrect. In so far as marks are necessary, they should be records of accomplishment and not penalties for failures. Children cannot be trained for victory by a succession of defeats.

Conclusion.

The policies outlined above are sound. Their adoption in the Girls' Latin School is desirable. After long and careful consideration, I came to the conclusion that their adoption in spirit rather than in letter could be accomplished only by a change in the influential personnel of the school, and that the best solution of the difficulty would be the transfer of Miss Griswold.

Respectfully submitted,

Stratton D. Brooks,
Supt. of Schools.

Mr. Duncan D. Russell, representing the committee of parents desiring the retransfer of Miss Griswold to her former position, addressed the Board for the petitioners, and was followed by Miss Abbie F. Brown, representing the Alumnae Association of the Girls' Latin School, who presented a petition by the members of that association for the reinstatement of Miss Griswold.

Mr. Royal B. Young and Dr. Charles H. Winn of the parents' committee were then successively heard.

The Board then heard Mr. Isaac F. Paul, Rev. James Rea, Messrs. Max White, John D. Bryant, John B. Babcock, Jr., and Edward W. Brewer, all of whom favored the reinstatement of Miss Griswold.

There then being no further persons desiring to be heard in favor of the retransfer, the Chairman stated that an opportunity was open to those who favored the action already taken to address the Board upon the subject.

Communications were received and read from Dr. James A. McDonald, and Mr. Ralph Albertson, expressing their approval thereof.

Messrs. Fred L. Howard, A. Lincoln Filene (who also presented a communication addressed to him by the Superintendent, under date of Jan. 20, 1908, containing a statement relative to the system of marking in the Girls' Latin School), and Augustus H. Withington, Mrs. Margaret O'Callaghan, Messrs. Nathaniel C. Fowler and M. W. Buriel successively addressed the Board, expressing their approval of the action taken.

The Board was also briefly addressed by Mrs. Stanwood, of the Alumnae Association, and by Mr. Elisha B. Worrell, who made the closing statement on behalf of the parents' committee, both of whom were in favor of the retransfer of Miss Griswold; by Mrs. Helen H. Richardson, who opposed the suggested retransfer, and by Mr. William C. Crawford, who stated the sequence of events connected with the transfer and favored the settlement of such questions by the Board without public agitation.

No others desiring to be heard on the subject, the Chairman declared the hearing closed.

COMMISSION TO CONSIDER MATTERS AFFECTING THE HEALTH OF CHILDREN ATTENDING THE FIRST THREE GRADES.

A communication was received from the office of His Honor the Mayor, under date of Jan. 14, 1908, acknowledging the receipt of a communication from the Board with reference to the laying of smooth pavement on streets adjoining school buildings to lessen the noise, stating that the Mayor is in entire sympathy with the proposition, and will make an earnest endeavor to carry out the improvements desired. The total cost of the proposed work, however, will be in the vicinity of \$70,000, and therefore the matter is one which demands careful consideration.

Placed on file.

WEEKLY PAYMENT OF JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Corporation Counsel, under date of Jan. 8, 1908, containing his opinion with reference to the proposed weekly payment of janitors, as requested by the Board at its meeting of Nov. 4, 1907.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

(To Retire from the Service.)

Lewis District—Jessie Tishler, assistant, Jan. 6, 1908.

Minot District—Jane E. Monahan, assistant, Jan. 9, 1908.
Accepted.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Manual Training—Sigrid Cederroth, assistant instructor, Jan. 21, 1908.
Accepted.

RETIREMENT.

The following retirement of a teacher, because of marriage, to date from Sept. 1, 1907, was reported by the Superintendent:

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Geraldine U. Fox, assistant kindergarten.
Placed on file.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Bigelow District—Helen M. Donohue, from Jan. 13 to 31, 1908, inclusive.

Chapman District—Mabel S. Blackman, kindergarten, from Jan. 9 until Feb. 3, 1908, inclusive.

Comins District—Rosanna M. Dowd, from Jan. 2, 1908.

Dudley District—Marion G. Fottler, from Jan. 15 to 31, 1908, inclusive.

Edward Everett District—Elizabeth L. Prendergast, from Jan. 20, 1908.

Eliot District—Katherine McNamara, Dec. 16, 1907, one day.

Franklin District—Anna G. MacMahon, Jan. 2 and 3, 1908, 2 days; Gertrude P. Stephan, from Jan. 6, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Margaret G. Hatch, from Jan. 13, 1908.

Minot District—Alma Boodro, from Jan. 10, 1908; Isabel E. Clark, from Jan. 20, 1908.

Washington District—Alice E. McMurrough, Eileen A. Sweeney, from Jan. 21, 1908.

William E. Russell District—Adelaide G. Nelson, from Jan. 15, 1908.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dorchester High School—Elizabeth H. Norman, assistant instructor, from Jan. 2, 1908.

Minot District—Theresa F. Long, assistant, from Jan. 14, 1908.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENTS OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Sewing—Helena M. Doherty, teacher, from Jan. 20, 1908.

Nurse—Ellen M. Dwyer, assistant, from Dec. 16, 1907.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Bigelow District—Helen M. Donohue, assistant, from Feb. 4, 1908.

Dudley District—Marion G. Fottler, assistant, from Feb. 4, 1908.

Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Chapman District—Mariannie H. Simmons, assistant, from Jan. 9, 1908; H. Maude Marshall, first assistant, kindergarten, from Feb. 4, 1908.

Hancock District—Ella A. Curtis, first assistant, grammar school, from Feb. 3, 1908.

Laid over.

Nurses—Mary F. Donovan, Anna Regan, Alice B. Felton, Katharine Fitzgerald, Helena M. Daly, Hulda H. Tingley, Ruth H. Johnson, assistants.
Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

East Boston High School—Augustus F. Rose, special instructor of drawing and manual training; Carrie L. Worthen, special instructor of physical training.

Comins District—Katherine F. Hartnett, assistant.

Lyman District—Gertrude E. Mayo, assistant.

Phillips Brooks District—Frances E. Dailey, assistant.

Thomas Gardner District—Jessie L. Sweet, assistant, kindergarten.

Cookery—Mary T. Galvin, teacher.

Manual Training—Olive I. Harris, instructor.

Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS

Term of 1907-08.

Central High School—Patrick J. O'Daly, assistant, from Jan. 9, 1908; Margaret L. Sandholzer, clerical assistant, from Jan. 6, 1908.

Roxbury High School—E. Marion Williams, assistant, from Jan. 6, 1908.

South Boston High School—Mary M. O'Neil, pianist, from Jan. 7, 1908.

Christopher Columbus School—William A. Hoyt, first assistant; Martha E. Daniels, assistant, from Jan. 6, 1908.

Eliot School—Anna A. Cassidy, assistant, from Jan. 6, 1908; Marguerite F. Lally, assistant, from Jan. 15, 1908.

Wells School—Alice E. McMurrough, assistant; John V. Carchia, interpreter; from Jan. 6, 1908.

Approved.

TRANSFER.

Dudley District—Evelyn G. McGinley, assistant, on probation, to the same position, on probation, in the Mary Hemenway District, from Jan. 15, 1908.

Placed on file.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Bowditch District (Margaret Fuller Kindergarten)—Alice Beck, from Nov. 26, 1907.
 Washington Allston District (Frederic A. Whitney Kindergarten)—Norine Holt, from Jan. 13, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Girls' High School—Sarah J. C. Needham, assistant, Dec. 2, 1907, one day.

Roxbury High School—Persis P. Drake, assistant, Jan. 8, 1908, one day.

Blackinton District—Annie C. Lamb, assistant, Dec. 13, 1907, one-half day; Sara F. Littlefield, assistant, Dec. 16, 1907, one day.

Bowditch District—Martha T. Howes, assistant, from Dec. 11, 1907, until Mar. 11, 1908.

Bowdoin District—May A. Treen, assistant, from Jan. 2 to 31, 1908.

Chapman District—Catharine F. Atwood, assistant, from Jan. 1 until May 1, 1908; Helen M. Palne, first assistant, kindergarten, from Jan. 6 until May 1, 1908.

Christopher Gibson District—Florence A. Dunbar, assistant, from Jan. 6 until Apr. 6, 1908.

Dearborn District—Ellen M. Oliver, assistant, from Jan. 2 until Feb. 2, 1908.

Elliot District—Katherine G. O'Donnell, assistant, Jan. 7, 1908, one day.

Everett District—Ethel W. Smith, assistant, from Jan. 8 until May 8, 1908.

Hancock District—Mary C. Brine, assistant, Jan. 13, 1908, one day; Eleanor A. M. Colleton, assistant, Jan. 14, 1908, one-half day; Anna T. Dinand, assistant, Jan. 2 and 3, 1908, two days; Margaret Mulligan, assistant, Jan. 2, 1908, one day.

Henry L. Pierce District—Lillian S. Bourne, assistant, Jan. 13, 1908, one-half day.

Horace Mann School—Mabel E. Adams, assistant, Jan. 31, 1908, one day.

Jefferson District—Ida E. McElwain, first assistant, kindergarten, from Dec. 9, 1907, until Apr. 3, 1908.

Lewis District—C. Isabel Mention, assistant, Jan. 15, 1908, one day.

Lincoln District—Mary J. Grady, assistant, Dec. 13, 1907, one-half day.

Longfellow District—Ethel L. Sawyer, assistant, from Jan. 2 until Apr. 4, 1908.

Lyman District—Leonora E. Scolley, assistant, from Jan. 20 until Apr. 20, 1908; Frances E. Donovan, assistant, Jan. 17, 1908, one-half day.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Mary E. Dee, assistant, Dec. 10, 1907, one-half day.

Phillips District—Susan A. McKenna, assistant, Jan. 8 and 9, 1908, one and one-half days.

Phillips Brooks District—Constance Horsford, assistant, Dec. 9, 1907, one-half day.

Prescott District—Mary E. Keyes, master's assistant, Jan. 8, 1908, one day.

Rice District—Clara C. Dunn, assistant, Jan. 8, 1908, one day.

Sherwin District—Sarah E. Gould, assistant, Jan. 10, 1908, one-half day; Mary F. Roome, assistant, Jan. 2, 1908, one day.

Thomas N. Hart District—Mary E. Donnelly, assistant, Jan. 3, 9 and 10, 1908, three days; Mary F. Keyes, Lura M. Power, assistants, Jan. 13, 1908, one-half day; Elizabeth S. Tash, assistant, kindergarten, Jan. 6 and 7, 1908, two days.

Warren District—Ellen A. Pratt, assistant, from Jan. 2 until Apr. 2, 1908.

Washington District—Katherine L. King, first assistant, primary school, Jan. 8, 1908, one day; Lillian G. Norris, assistant, from Jan. 20 until Mar. 20, 1908; Mary E. Durgin, assistant, Jan. 8, 1908, one day; Elizabeth M. O'Donnell, assistant, Jan. 7, 1908, one day.

Washington Allston District—Louis P. Nash, sub-master, Jan. 8, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted the following-named teacher, on half-pay, from Jan. 1, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909, and her resignation accepted to take effect on the latter date:

Dwight District—Mary E. Trow, assistant.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of four hundred thirty-four minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of nine to be licensed to black boots, and of two to be licensed to act as pedlars.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of two minors to sell newspapers for violation of the conditions on which said licenses were granted.

Approved.

TUITION OF BOSTON PUPILS IN BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Jan. 7, 1908, transmitting an application from Mrs. Arthur H. Park, that the city assume the cost of tuition for her children in the Brookline schools.

Referred to Mr. Brock for consideration and report.

ADDITIONS TO ELIGIBLE LIST.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Jan. 20, 1908, submitting the following lists of certificated candidates, rated by that Board on the results of the examination held Dec. 6 and 7, 1907. In the case of the nurses, the names do not constitute a separate list, but should be inserted in the previously published list.—School Document No. 9, 1907, pp. 33, 34, at the points indicated by the respective ratings.

Assistant Director of Physical Training and Athletics.

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
748	Ernst Hermann.....	June 30, 1913

Instructors in Athletics.

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
826	William C. Matthews.....	June 30, 1913
751	James H. Crowley.....	June 30, 1913
741	Matthew M. Leary.....	June 30, 1913
706	Michael J. Redding.....	June 30, 1913

Nurses.

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
915	Laura H. Barbrick.....	June 30, 1913
885	Mary F. Donovan.....	June 30, 1912
880	Anna Regan.....	June 30, 1913
875	Alice B. Felton.....	June 30, 1912
856	Katharine FitzGerald.....	June 30, 1913
851	Helena M. Daly.....	June 30, 1913
844	Mary F. Buckley.....	June 30, 1913
828	Hulda H. Tingley.....	June 30, 1913
827	Clara E. Holland.....	June 30, 1913
818	Ruth H. Johnson.....	June 30, 1913
810	Edith W. Sheehan.....	June 30, 1913
801	Amalia H. Grover.....	June 30, 1913

Placed on file.

EXPENDITURE FOR BIOLOGICAL SUPPLIES, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the expenditure of an amount not exceeding twenty-five dollars

(\$25) for the purchase of biological supplies for the Girls' High School is hereby authorized.

USE OF LABORATORY, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, BY BOSTON NORMAL SCHOOL OF GYMNASTICS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the Boston Normal School of Gymnastics be allowed to use the laboratory in the Girls' High School on Thursdays from 2:15 o'clock P.M. to 3:15 o'clock P.M., and on Fridays from 2:15 o'clock P.M. to 4:15 o'clock P.M., during the months of February, March and April, 1908; said use to be without expense to the city of Boston.

BRANCH OF FRANKLIN EVENING SCHOOL IN PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE NO. 71.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That for such part of the remainder of the term of 1907-08 as may be necessary, a branch of the Franklin Evening School be established in Portable Building No. 71 in the yard of the Franklin School.

PAYMENT TO TEACHERS OF BOWDOIN EVENING SCHOOL, EVENING OF JAN. 7, 1908.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the teachers of the Bowdoin Evening School who were present at the school on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1908, and who were excused by the principal of the school from a full performance of their duties during that evening, be paid as usual, notwithstanding their dismissal.

SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Jan. 11, 1908, stating that pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Jan. 3, he had made requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of persons eligible for appointment to the position of substitute janitor, and that the following-named persons have been certified:—Justin H. McCarthy, David P. Doherty, and Thomas W. Fitzgerald.

Placed on file.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 20, 1908, enclosing declinations received from candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission for appointment to the position of substitute janitor.

Placed on file, and the Secretary authorized to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the certification of other candidates for appointment to this position.

RESIGNATION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 14, 1908, enclosing the resignation of Edward A. Moore, janitor of the Dearborn and Old Dearborn School-houses, from the latter building.

The communication was placed on file, the resignation accompanying the same not being accepted.

JANITORSHIP, TUCKERMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 14, 1908, containing a list of applicants for

transfer to the janitorship of the Tuckerman School-house, and recommending the transfer of Nicholas J. Innis, janitor of the Clinch and Portable School-houses, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Jan. 20, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of Nicholas J. Innis to said position was approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, FLORENCE-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 14, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Florence-street School-house, and recommending the transfer of James A. Hanlon, janitor of the Benjamin Cushing School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Jan. 18, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of James A. Hanlon to said position was approved from the date stated.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF AND AMOUNTS DUE ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 18, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:

Common-street School-house—Thomas Brennan, reappointed from Jan. 16, 1908; amount due to Jan. 15, 1908, \$13.33.

Florence-street School-house—William Conway, appointed from Jan. 14, 1908.

Charlestown Evening Drawing School—Albert Gile, reappointed from Jan. 15, 1908; amount due to Jan. 13, 1908, \$5.

Cook School-house—Lulu Moore, reappointed from Jan. 10, 1908; amount due to Jan. 15, 1908, \$20.80.

Comins and Cottage-place School-houses—George J. Shepard, amount due to Jan. 5, 1908, \$28.26.

The communication was placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:

To Thomas Brennan, Common-street School-house, from Jan. 6 to 15, 1908, inclusive, ten days, thirteen and 23-100 dollars (\$13.33).

To Albert Gile, Charlestown Evening Drawing School, from Jan. 6 to 13, 1908, inclusive, four days, five dollars (\$5).

To Lulu Moore, Cook School-house, from Dec. 31, 1907, to Jan. 15, 1908, inclusive, sixteen days, twenty and 80-100 dollars (\$20.80).

To George J. Shepard, Comins and Cottage-place School-houses, from Dec. 28, 1907, to Jan. 5, 1908, inclusive, twenty-eight and 26-100 dollars (\$28.26).

REOPENING OF WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 20, 1908, reporting that the Walnut-street School-house had been reopened for school purposes on Jan. 20, 1908.

Placed on file.

REMEASUREMENT OF SAMUEL W. MASON SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Michael J. Lally, under date of Dec. 30, 1907, applying for the remeasurement of the Samuel W. Mason School-house in Roxbury, in order that the proper compensa-

tion for janitor service of that building may be more accurately determined.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for consideration and report.

SEPARATE DISTRICT, FRANCIS PARKMAN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Charles J. Lennon, Chairman of the Mt. Hope Citizens' Association, under date of Jan. 7, 1908, requesting that the Francis Parkman School at Forest Hills be set apart and made a separate and independent school district.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent.

ONE DAILY SESSION, ABERDEEN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Mrs. William H. Potter, under date of Jan. 11, 1908, with reference to the sessions of the Aberdeen School.

Placed on file.

RECONSTRUCTION OF GUN RACKS, DORCHESTER HIGH, ENGLISH HIGH AND PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from George H. Benyon, Instructor of Military Drill, requesting the reconstruction of the gun racks of the Dorchester High, English High and Public Latin School-houses to render secure the military equipment contained therein, the request being endorsed by the head-masters of the schools named.

Laid over.

USE OF DRILL HALL, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE, FOR BASKET BALL GAMES.

An application was received from E. Howard George on behalf of the South End Athletic League, under date of Jan. 7, 1908, for permission to use the drill hall in the English High School-House for basket ball games.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. George of the reasons why the Board deems it inexpedient to approve such requests.

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of January, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Ellis.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Communications were received from the High School Assistants' Association, from the Boston Teachers' Club, and from Tilson A. Mead, which were placed on file.

CUSTODY OF RECORDS AND TEXT-BOOKS USED IN OLD WASHINGTON SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Roxbury Historical Society, under date of Jan. 17, 1908, requesting the loan or custody of the records and text-books used in the Old Washington School, which are now stored in the Dudley School-house, in order that the same may be cared for and preserved in the interests of Old Roxbury and of former pupils of the Washington School, many of whom are members of said society.

Referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 11:10 o'clock P.M. to meet on Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1908, at 5 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Jan. 21, 1908.

An adjourned regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 5 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

COAL CONSUMPTION.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be directed, personally, or by his

direct representative, to ascertain the amount of coal on hand in each school building on Feb. 1, 1908, and report the same to the Board, so that the Board may be in a position on June 1, 1908, after a second similar report as of that date of the amount of coal remaining in school buildings, and the taking into account of additional deliveries made during the period between these two dates, to compare the consumption of coal per cubic foot of building contents in all of the school-houses of the city; and that the Schoolhouse Custodian be requested to notify each janitor that such a comparison will be made for the period stated for the purpose of ascertaining the care exercised by the different janitors in the service to economize in the use of coal.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 7 o'clock P. M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Jan. 27, 1908.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the meetings of Jan. 20 and 21 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

A list of special assistants, reported by the Superintendent, and laid on the table at the meeting of Jan. 20, was taken from the table and the appointments approved.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the same meeting. The appointments were approved.

RECONSTRUCTION OF GUN RACKS, DORCHESTER HIGH, ENGLISH HIGH AND PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOLS.

The Board took up for consideration the communication received from George H. Benyon, Instructor of Military Drill, laid over at the meeting of Jan. 20, requesting the reconstruction of the gun racks in the Dorchester High, English High, and Public Latin School-houses, in order to render secure the military equipment contained therein, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the aforesaid communication was referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, with the request that said Board give the recommendation prompt and favorable consideration.

PLAYGROUND, YARD OF GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council,
January 23, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee, through His Honor the Mayor, be requested to permit the use of the enclosed yard of the Girls' High School as a children's playground, between the hours of 3 P.M. and 7 P.M. on school days, and all day on Saturdays.

In Common Council, Jan. 23, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy,
Attest:

Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.
Office of the Mayor, Jan. 24, 1908.
Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.

Referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report.

REOPENING OF WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of

Jan. 25, 1908, stating that the Walnut-street School-house, recently damaged by fire, has been repaired and refitted, and was re-occupied for school purposes on Jan. 20, 1908.

Placed on file.

DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of the following-named teacher, which occurred on the date stated:—

Prescott District—William H. Furber, master, Jan. 24, 1908.

Placed on file.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Normal School—Katharine Merrill, assistant, from Feb. 10, 1908.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Assistant Nurses—Mary F. Buckley, Edith W. Sheehan, Amalia H. Grover, Agnes I. Quirk, from Feb. 3, 1908; Isabel D. Van Wart, from Apr. 1, 1908.

Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Lyman District—Aunie M. Wilcox, first assistant in charge, from Feb. 18, 1908.

Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Phillips Brooks District—Constance Horsford, assistant.

Washington District—F. Helen Mayo, assistant.

Winthrop District—Elizabeth A. Welsh, assistant.

Approved.

TRANSFER.

Washington Allston Evening School—Josephine W. Cowan, assistant, to the same position in the Franklin Evening School, from Jan. 17, 1908.

Placed on file.

ATTENDANT IN A KINDERGARTEN.

Adams District (Plummer No. 2 Kindergarten), Tillie Nelson, from Jan. 20, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Roxbury High School—Mabel L. Warner, assistant, from Jan. 15 until Apr. 13, 1908.

Bowditch District—Tabitha Filtz Gerald, assistant, from Mar. 16 until June 19, 1908.

Eliot District—Katharine G. Sutliff, assistant, Jan. 20, 1908, one-half day.

Everett District—Catharine T. Whalen, assistant, Jan. 10, 1908, one day.

Franklin District—Ruth D. Stevens, assistant, Jan. 13, 1908, one day; Lillian Tishler, assistant, Jan. 15, 1908, one-half day.

Harvard District—Sarah R. Dodge, assistant, from Jan. 1 until Feb. 1, 1908.

Lyman District—Helen Harvie, assistant, from Jan. 15 until Apr. 15, 1908.

Phillips District—Agnes G. Tarpey, assistant, Jan. 20, 1908, one day.

Rice District—Eleanor F. Lang, assistant, Jan. 20, 1908, one-half day.

Robert G. Shaw District—Martha B. Johnson, assistant, Jan. 21, 1908, one day.

Thomas Gardner District—Agnes A. Aubin, assistant, Jan. 6, 9 and 16, 1908, one and one-half days; Annie L. Ziersch, assistant, Jan. 22, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study, travel or rest, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909:—

Dorchester High School—Mary A. Leavens, assistant, for study.

South Boston High School—Clara A. W. Barnes, assistant, for study and rest.

Everett District—Emma F. Porter, assistant, for travel and rest.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Julia A. Noonan, first assistant, grammar school, for study and travel.

ACTING PRINCIPAL, PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Jan. 27, 1908, stating that by reason of the illness and death of the master of the Prescott District, he had designated Melzar H. Jackson, sub-master in the district, to take charge thereof, until such time as the position of principal is otherwise filled in accordance with the rules and regulations, to date from Jan. 21, 1908.

Placed on file.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of sixty-six minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of five to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

EVENING HIGH SCHOOL, DORCHESTER DISTRICT.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of Jan. 27, 1908, with reference to the communication from the Common Council requesting the School Committee to establish an evening high school in the Dorchester District, referred to him Jan. 3, stating that it is not desirable to establish such a school at this time of the year, but that the matter will be investigated with reference to the advisability of opening such a school with the beginning of the evening school term in October next.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be transmitted to the Common Council.

EXHIBIT OF KINDERGARTEN WORK, NEW ORLEANS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the expenditure of a sum not to exceed fifteen dollars (\$15) be authorized, for the purpose of preparing an exhibit of kindergarten work for the meeting of the International Kindergarten Union in the city of New Orleans, La., from Mar. 30 to Apr. 4, 1908.

EXPENDITURE FOR BOOKS, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL OF PRACTICAL ARTS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Girls' High School of Practical Arts be allowed the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) to be expended for the purchase of books, said expenditure to be charged to the regular appropriation for supplementary books for the current financial year.

ADDITIONAL FIRST ASSISTANTS, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL OF PRACTICAL ARTS.

The Superintendent offered the following: ORDERED, That the employment of two first assistants, teachers with rank higher than the regulations permit, is hereby authorized in the Girls' High School of Practical Arts during the remainder of the school year 1907-8.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

LECTURES, COMINS EVENING SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding thirty dollars (\$30) for incidental expenses in connection with a course of free public lectures in the Comins Evening School.

AMENDMENT TO ELIGIBLE LIST.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Jan. 27, 1908, stating that in June, 1907, a certificate of qualification, assistant nurse, was granted Drusilla Hodgins, who had successfully passed the required examination, this candidate having been declared eligible for admission to the examination in consequence of an error contained in a credential submitted concerning her. Said Board has now, because of this error, and in accordance with the request of Miss Hodgins, rescinded said certificate, and has amended School Document No. 9, 1907, Second List of Candidates Eligible for Appointment as Teachers, to conform thereto.

Placed on file.

COURSE IN BOOKKEEPING, EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Jan. 27, 1908, recommending that the course of study for the evening high schools (School Document No. 13, 1906) be amended as follows:—

Page 11, Group III: Insert after "Geometry II", Bookkeeping III.

Page 34: Insert before "Phonography I", the following:—

Bookkeeping III.

1. Short review of the principles of bookkeeping.

2. The application of general principles of bookkeeping to distinct lines of business, as: Jobbing, Furniture, Wholesale Grocery, Dry Goods, Corporations, Manufacturing and Banking.

3. The vouchers required by each line of business are to be introduced as needed and their use explained. Less attention is given in this course to the clerical filling of business forms and more to the mastery of principles. Among the business forms used are: shipping receipts, telegrams, letters of application, stock books.

4. Instruction is to be given in briefing, the use of special columns, auxiliary ledgers, good will, certified checks, suspense accounts, protests, letters of application, letters soliciting business, and dunning letters.

Also recommending the adoption of Moore & Miner's Accounting and Business Practice, Corporation Accounting and Banking, for use as a text-book in the evening high schools, and that the previous authorization of the Shorter Course of this series be held to include the accompanying business forms.

The communication was placed on file, and the course of study for evening high schools amended in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents as aforesaid.

Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That Moore & Miner's Accounting and Business Practice, Corporation Accounting and Banking (with accompanying business forms) be authorized for use as a text-book in the evening high schools.

Laid over.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the previous authorization of Moore & Miner's Accounting and Business Practice, Shorter Course, as a text-book in the evening high schools, be held to include the accompanying business forms.

SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Jan. 24, 1908, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Jan. 20, reporting that the Civil Service Commission had certified the following-named person as eligible for appointment to the position of substitute janitor: William H. Weir.

Placed on file.

DEATHS OF JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 27, 1908, reporting the death of Spencer E. Seales, janitor of the Albert Palmer School-house, which occurred on Jan. 23, 1908, and of Denis C. Kelly, janitor of the Bowdoin School-house, which occurred on Jan. 25, 1908.

Placed on file.

SALARY OF CLERICAL ASSISTANT, NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Head-master of the Boston Normal School, requesting that the salary of the clerical assistant in that school be fixed at \$720 per year.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report.

WARRENTON-STREET KINDERGARTEN.

A communication was received from Rev. B. F. McDaniel, Superintendent of the Barnard Memorial, under date of Jan. 23, 1908, stating that for many years the city has enjoyed the use of rooms belonging to that institution for kindergarten purposes at a nominal expense of \$100 per annum toward the salary of the janitor, and suggesting that in view of the considerable expense incurred for the heating and lighting of the rooms thus occupied, the city should bear a more equitable share of the cost of maintaining this kindergarten.

Referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report, and with the request that he also report on the general subject of rentals paid for school accommodations.

TRANSFER OF ELLEN C. GRISWOLD.

A communication was received from G. Fred Wilde, Jr., under date of Jan. 21, 1908, with reference to the transfer of Ellen C. Griswold.

Placed on file.

PAYMENT TO EDWARD POWERS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That the order passed Jan. 3, 1908, that there be paid to Edward Powers the sum of ten and 34-100 dollars (\$10.34) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Bailey-street and adjacent Portable School-houses, is hereby rescinded.

ORDERED, That there be paid to Edward Powers the sum of eight and 27-100 dollars (\$8.27) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Bailey-street and Portable Nos. 70 and 84 School-houses, from Dec. 1 to 4, 1907, inclusive.

SALARY DUE DENIS C. KELLY.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the amount due Denis C. Kelly, late janitor of the Bowdoin School-house, be paid to his widow, Annie Kelly.

SALARY DUE SPENCER E. SEALES.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the amount due Spencer E. Seales, late janitor of the Albert Palmer School-house, be paid to his son, Byron A. Seales.

TUITION OF BOSTON PUPILS IN BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

The Superintendent presented a communication addressed to him by Mrs. J. A. Conkey, residing on Corey road, under date of Jan. 24, 1908, requesting that the city assume the cost of tuition of her two children in the Brookline schools.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the application was approved for the current school year.

PLAN FOR A PENSION SYSTEM FOR BOSTON SCHOOL TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the High School Masters' Club, under date of Jan. 13, 1908, submitting the following notes on a bill for a pension system for teachers:

1. We approve of the fact that there is in the bill no assessment on teachers.

2. We approve of the fact that there is no compulsory age retirement.

3. We approve of the fact that the pensions are arranged upon a percentage basis rather than upon a flat rate.

4. We think that the small pension provided will not stimulate voluntary retirement as provided for in paragraph 7.

5. We think it should be definitely stated that years spent on leave of absence for rest, travel or study should be counted as years of service.

6. We think that it is not within our province to suggest a method of raising funds, as provided for in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3; or to stipulate how the board of retirement shall be constituted, as provided for in paragraph 5.

7. We would suggest for consideration a scheme by which a certain pension would be paid to teachers who retire voluntarily after 20 years' service in Boston, and an additional amount for each additional year's service.

Placed on file.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the doors were opened.

TRANSFER OF ELLEN C. GRISWOLD.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the following statement with reference to the transfer of Ellen C. Griswold from the Girls' Latin School to the Dorchester High School was ordered to be entered on the minutes of the Board, and the Secretary was directed to transmit a copy thereof to Mr. Tetlow, Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School:

The School Committee has been request-

ed to reverse the action of the Superintendent of Schools in transferring Miss Ellen C. Griswold from the Girls' Latin School to a position of equal salary and equal rank in the Dorchester High School, and to retransfer Miss Griswold to the Girls' Latin School.

We have given careful consideration to the reasons advanced by those who desire this done, and by those who consider such a course unwise, including the arguments for and against the transfer contained in many written communications addressed to the Committee or its Chairman or individual members, and also to the reasons given by the Superintendent for the transfer, and to the arguments advanced by the Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School against the transfer, and have endeavored to obtain the fullest information and the clearest understanding possible in regard to the actual situation. Realizing that our duties are administrative, as well as judicial, we have not limited our inquiry to the information which the Superintendent, the Head-Master of the school, and the committees and individuals interested in the matter have presented for our consideration, but have endeavored to secure all available information which would aid us in reaching a correct conclusion.

The Committee feels that in order that its attitude on the question of the transfer under discussion may be understood, it is necessary to consider certain general aspects of the case.

There are many, including some former members of the School Committee, who have taken the position that no transfer of a teacher should be made without the consent of the teacher, and also of the master, and, furthermore, of the corresponding teacher and master in the other school concerned in the transfer, and it may be said that for many years, and up to the inauguration of this new Board, this has been the custom in the Boston schools. Some of those who have taken this view have gone so far as to say that when, pursuant to her first appointment, the Superintendent had assigned a young Normal School graduate to a given school, it virtually resulted in a contract, according to the unwritten terms of which the teacher had a right to remain in that school as long as she lived and taught in the Boston schools. Others, and probably a majority of those who have opposed this transfer, have taken the position that a transfer must be regarded as an odious thing, and necessarily a punishment, or at least must be regarded as a measure of discipline.

From all of these views this Committee entirely dissents. If no teacher can be transferred at all, or only as the result of an act of punishment or discipline, and not merely because it is felt that a teacher can be more helpful or useful to the service in some other position of corresponding rank, then we have a petrified school system which will certainly produce inferior results in school administration, just as it would in the administration of any other system.

Almost innumerable examples of the injurious effect of the petrified policy can be cited from experience. To illustrate, there have been cases in the administration of the schools where an efficient teacher has not been on speaking terms with an equally efficient master, and this well known condition of affairs has been allowed to exist for years under the old system of "no transfer without the consent of the teacher"; and there have been other cases which did not go so far, but where the teacher was entirely out of sympathy with, and unable to cooperate with, the master. In such cases, a teacher has been known to take and successfully maintain the position that no transfer should be made until there was a judicial investigation as to the merits of this long-standing controversy, and a final decision as to

which of the two individuals on the whole had the better of the dispute; but we do not conceive that it is the duty of the Superintendent, or in case of appeal, of the School Committee, to unravel the tangled skein of a long, personal controversy, for the sake of determining with exactitude the precise merits of the existing difference of opinion. We regard it to be the duty of the Superintendent and Committee to view the good of such school as a whole, and make the transfer to some other position of equal rank if it will result in more efficient service, and so contribute to the welfare of our schools.

Another example to illustrate the wisdom and advantage of a transfer, and a case which must frequently happen in a large system, is a case where two teachers have excellent records and are of strictly equal professional attainments; and yet, without being able to specify exactly the reason or possibly to prove it in a series of acts, it is well recognized by the Assistant Superintendents and Superintendent that one of the teachers is more magnetic, more sympathetic, more attractive to the pupils, and therefore perhaps can be transferred with advantage to the system to a relatively difficult class, the other teacher being given a class which experience has shown is less difficult and less likely to be affected by the somewhat intangible difference in type between the two teachers.

So long as such a transfer relates to a change between two different classes in the same building, the master will himself make the transfer—not as a punitive act or necessarily as discipline, but as a mere administrative act for the benefit of his school as a whole—and will insist upon it, even if it results in one or both the teachers being disappointed; but the moment the occasion arises for making such a transfer of teachers of different schools, then all authority on the part of the master to make such a transfer ceases. Such a transfer must necessarily be made by the order of the Superintendent; and it is perfectly natural for one of the masters, who is simply looking at his own school, to think the transfer unreasonable or unnecessary, because he is not in a position to weigh, and has not been accustomed, and cannot perhaps be expected, to consider the balance of good to the system as a whole.

It is true that loyalty to a given school constitutes a motive for interest and faithfulness in work which should not be overlooked, and this Committee does not consider it necessary, and does not intend, that transfers shall ever be so frequent as to destroy this valuable element of successful school administration.

We think that those who differ from the Superintendent and the School Committee as to the wisdom of this particular transfer should at least remember that it is not going to wreck two strong, well-established schools to have an interchange of a single teacher in each school to a corresponding position in the other.

This Committee has provided that once in seven years a teacher's place in a school may be taken by a substitute at half pay, while the regular teacher is permitted to have a year's leave of absence on half pay, for the sake of the broadening influence of a change of environment and the professional advantages to be gained from a year of travel or study; and although the Committee has no intention of embarking on such a policy, yet it is not unreasonable to think that the change of a given teacher, perhaps once in a lifetime, from the environment of one school to another may also prove to be broadening and stimulating, rather than harmful.

Another impression which seemed to be prevalent in the minds of many who opposed this transfer was that the Dorchester High School was an inferior school, as compared with the Girls' Latin School, and that therefore a transfer from the

Girls' Latin School to the Dorchester High School must necessarily be something of a degradation in rank. This Committee does not share in this view, and considers that the Dorchester High School, with its 1147 pupils, is fully the equal in importance to the Girls' Latin School, with its 495 pupils. It is true that the purposes of these schools are somewhat different. In the one case the primary object of the school is to fit for college, while in the other case the primary object is to fit directly for life work; though from the Girls' Latin School graduate a certain number of young women who do not go to college, and from the Dorchester High School graduate a certain number of pupils who do go to college.

The Committee feels that the task of fitting a boy or girl directly for his or her life work, who only has four more years to devote to the purpose, is fully as difficult, fully as important to the community, and requires quite as much ability, as spending four years fitting for the college entrance examinations a boy or girl who thereafter is to have at least four additional years in which to prepare for his or her life work.

That so considerable a portion of the pupils in our high and Latin schools have been either unable or unwilling to go on with their studies, has long been a matter of discussion and concern to the members of this Committee, the Superintendent, assistant superintendents, masters and teachers. It has also frequently been a subject of discussion at teachers' conventions. The same question has also arisen and been given much study by this Committee, and other school officials, in connection with our evening schools, and this Committee, acting on the suggestion of the Superintendent, has also applied certain measures to our evening schools which it is hoped will give better results, for while there inevitably will be some dropping out from our high schools and evening schools of pupils who enter at the beginning of a season, yet this Committee has been of the opinion that the "waste product" of all of these schools is excessive, and indicates that an improvement in the methods of the schools will result in a diminution.

This Committee has considered that one remedy in both these classes of schools, is to offer courses which will be of more immediate practical every-day value than those which have been offered in the past. The new High School of Commerce and the Girls' High School of Practical Arts represent one phase of the way in which this problem has been attacked by this Committee and the Superintendent. It is true that the form of appeal exemplified by these two schools does not apply to the pupils in our two Latin schools, who enter them with a desire to pursue a distinctly classical course of study, with generally a fixed purpose of being fitted for college; but still it is the belief of the Committee that in both the Latin schools the "waste product" has been too large, and that too many pupils have dropped out of these two schools, either because of lack of interest or because the work has been too difficult.

On January 1, 1907, the master of one of the high schools wrote a well-considered letter to the Superintendent calling attention to the increasing importance of this problem, and this resulted in the whole subject being given more formal consideration than up to that time had been the case. This letter was submitted to the Board of Superintendents at their meeting on January 4, 1907, and the letter was referred to a committee of three of the assistant superintendents. This Committee reported to the Board of Superintendents on January 18, 1907, and after a consideration of the report, the Board of Superintendents voted that a special council, consisting of

all the assistant superintendents, six of the high school head-masters, five of the elementary school principals, and ten of the teachers in the high and elementary schools, should be appointed to consider the subject. At their first meeting they were asked to express their views in writing and the council then adjourned for two weeks, so that these views might be formulated; and subsequently five or six meetings of the council were held. Besides those formally appointed as members of this council, at each meeting other head-masters and teachers were present and either took part in the discussion or listened; and the Superintendent was also present at several of the meetings. The assistant superintendent, who was the chairman and presided at practically all of these meetings, stated to us that the following propositions embodied directly the consensus of opinion of the council:

1. That the entering classes in the High and Latin Schools be placed under some of the best teachers in those schools.

2. That the size of the divisions be reduced as much as possible.

3. That the pupils be sifted according to their ability and accomplishments, so as neither to discourage the slower nor stultify the brighter ones.

4. That the attitude of the teachers should be one of encouragement, rather than criticism, especially until the child has adjusted himself to his new environment.

5. That instead of marking each pupil by subtracting a certain amount from a theoretical perfection which no pupil can attain, they be marked on a basis of what they actually accomplish.

The members of this Committee believe that these proposed changes were founded on correct educational principles; that the methods of teaching heretofore in vogue in our Latin and High Schools are susceptible of improvement—and improvement along the lines of these propositions—and that a change in these respects is desirable in the Girls' Latin School as well as in the other high schools of Boston, not with a view to the lowering of the standard or sacrificing the abler pupils of any of these schools, but to the end that by approaching the pupils in a more encouraging and a less critical spirit, the interest of the pupils may be maintained, the percentage of losses reduced, and the work of all accomplished with less physical, mental and nervous strain.

In April, 1907, the Superintendent met the teachers and Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School for the purpose of explaining and inculcating these principles of high school instruction, and explaining by contrast wherein the previous methods were defective. It has been urged upon us that this explanation by the Superintendent was not clear and that the new principles of instruction were not made plain to the teachers at this meeting. But we have had before us the stenographic report of the Superintendent's remarks at that meeting. It is true that the whole subject of this proposed change is one of general principle and attitude, and that the Superintendent therefore did not deal with specific acts on a certain day by a given teacher; yet it seems to us that the whole subject was made perfectly clear in the Superintendent's remarks, and that the illustrations he used tended still further to clarify the principles which he stated.

Because the formulation of this policy must necessarily be in general terms is no objection to the policy. It must be clear to any thoughtful person that there may be vast differences in the methods of marking pupils, and that different methods of marking may have widely different effects upon the pupils dealt with, and that some teachers and some schools may approach their pupils in a too critical and from a too destructive point of view,

marking the paper of a pupil worthless who may have translated a page of English into Latin with but few errors of minor importance and slight significance. Others dealing with the same exercise from the constructive point of view would recognize that while the results fell short of perfection yet, nevertheless, the pupil had labored faithfully at his task, that his time and labor had not been thrown away, but that he had accomplished a considerable portion of his task.

At this meeting at the Girls' Latin School in April, 1907, the Superintendent criticized the point of view of the teachers and stated that unless his desires in this regard were complied with he would feel bound to transfer one or more of the teachers whose influence he believed was against the adoption of this plan. There may not since that date have existed in the school, and we are prepared to believe that there has not, any active opposition or intentional violation of the Superintendent's instructions; but the Superintendent in December became convinced that the transfer of Miss Griswold to another high school, as an administrative and remedial act, would aid in the adoption of these principles in the Girls' Latin School.

We do not regard the transfer as a punishment, nor even as discipline. It is rather a judgment of a superior officer as to the sympathy and adaptation of a particular individual for carrying out a particular policy. These qualities, themselves, like the temperament, are uncommunicable and difficult to put into precise and definite language; and the reasons upon which an estimate of these qualities are reached must necessarily be less susceptible of definite and precise demonstration than would be required to establish a concrete fact upon which a judgment would be entered in a court of law. We think the judgment of the Superintendent was correct, and we see no reason to doubt that it was arrived at upon sufficient grounds. We wish to say, furthermore, that we think the Superintendent's judgment was arrived at without any personal bias or partisan or improper motives of any sort. We regard his action as an administrative act, calculated to aid in putting into effect a desirable change of educational policy in the school.

There is no intention on the part of the Superintendent or this Committee to make any attack upon the Girls' Latin School, as seems to have been the fear of some of the alumnae; but it is essential that every school in the city should be promptly responsive to a change in policy determined upon after careful deliberation by the responsible heads of the system.

If there has been any disorganization in the Girls' Latin School, the School Committee believes that it is not the result of the mere transfer of a single teacher to a position of corresponding rank in another school, but is due to a misunderstanding on the part of many as to the meaning of a transfer and the significance to be attached to it.

We therefore unanimously endorse the action of the Superintendent in making the transfer in question.

There is another aspect of this case which has given the Committee more concern than the original cause of the controversy. This Committee would not be fitted to be entrusted with the general oversight of all the schools of Boston if it did not know and recognize that the master of any particular district who is in daily contact with his pupils, through them and by personal acquaintance with their parents, can enlist the active sympathy and support of his pupils and their parents in favor of almost any proposition on which he differs from the Superintendent, or from the Superintendent and the School Committee; but in the interest of good administration and of the superior

authority which it is absolutely essential to maintain for the proper administration of any school system, it has been the custom for the master of the district who differed from the Superintendent, to first appeal to him for a reconsideration of his decision, and if this is not secured and the matter does not involve a really serious question, to consider it settled. If the matter does seem to be of great moment, then the master appeals from the Superintendent to the School Committee, who, so far as we are aware, have no selfish interests in these matters, and are fitted to proceed to a reconsideration of the whole question in a judicial spirit.

In this particular case, the Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School has complained that he was not informed of the proposed transfer before the subject was discussed with the Head-Master of the Dorchester High School; but it would be unreasonable for this Board to rule that the Superintendent must receive both the head-masters concerned in his office simultaneously, and it is clear that neither one has a grievance because of the mere fact that the other was the first to be informed. Late Friday afternoon, Dec. 6, 1907, the proposed transfer was discussed for the first time by the Superintendent with the Head-Master of the Dorchester High School, and on the following Monday—the next school day—the Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School was asked to come to the Superintendent's office where the transfer was discussed with him on Tuesday afternoon, and at the close of this second interview, notice of the transfer was mailed to both schools. It is apparently true that the head-masters of these two schools happened to see each other on Friday evening after the first interview, that the matter was spoken of by the Head-Master of the Dorchester High School, and that this constituted Mr. Tetlow's first notice of the proposed transfer; but the Superintendent would have discussed the matter with him in any event before making the transfer, and the essential fact is that the Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School did have a long and complete discussion of the matter with the Superintendent in his office on Tuesday, and it was only after the close of this interview on Tuesday afternoon that the Superintendent caused the notice of the transfer to be mailed to the two schools. The transfer was to take effect on January 2nd, some three weeks after the date of issue, on the reopening of the schools after the Christmas holidays.

The Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School notified the Superintendent during his discussion with him preceding the transfer, that he should appeal to the Committee. He was told by the Superintendent that such an appeal was entirely proper, and that he, the Superintendent, would abide by the result of the Head-Master's appeal, whatever it might be. The Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School accordingly appealed to the Committee, and a hearing was held on December 16th, some two weeks before the date when the transfer was to become effective. The Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School was heard at length by the Committee, and was urged in the progress of the hearing to take all the time he needed to express his views fully. The Committee after a careful consideration of the matter, unanimously decided that the transfer was in the interest of good school administration, and accordingly confirmed the action of the Superintendent.

The Committee have not the slightest doubt that if the decision of the Board had been against the Superintendent, he would have deemed it his duty, in the interest of the welfare of the schools, to respect the conclusion of the Committee, and to let the matter rest there; but the decision was against the master, who thereupon took the attitude of vigorous opposition to the decision of the Superintendent

and the decision of the Board, and proceeded to encourage a violent public opposition to the conclusion of his superior officers in the school service. Petitions against the transfer were signed by the children of the school, and at least some of them in the school rooms during school hours. The Head-Master also wrote letters to the newspapers, which were couched in language of entirely unnecessary disrespect to his superior officer, the Superintendent.

A criticism of the conduct of the Head-Master in regard to this matter is not intended in the least as a criticism of the motives or sincerity of the children of the school, or the alumnae or the parents. They were perfectly sincere in their views, and they believed and probably a majority of them still believe, that the transfer was an administrative mistake, and this Board was ready and glad to listen to their arguments and reasons, but the Head-Master of the school knew that this Board would have been equally glad to have listened to a committee of parents or of the alumnae before the letters written to the newspapers by the master of the school and others had turned a simple administrative question of the transfer of a teacher into a public agitation, to the injury of his school and of the school system.

Shortly after the hearing accorded to Mr. Tetlow by the School Committee in December, the Chairman of the Committee visited Mr. Tetlow and asked him to consider calmly whether he felt that the transfer of one of his teachers and the replacing of that teacher by one of equal rank, warranted an extensive public agitation of the matter, and whether it would not on the whole be more to the interest of his school

and the school administration, inasmuch as he had had a full hearing before the Board and the Board had decided against him, for him to acquiesce in the decision of the Superintendent and the Board. We are of opinion that if the course pursued by Mr. Tetlow since the first decision of the Board in this case were followed by the 80 other school principals in the city in regard to questions of not greater importance, it would lead to administrative anarchy in the school system.

We are not willing to overlook Mr. Tetlow's long and faithful service in behalf of the schools of Boston, but we do think that Mr. Tetlow has become too fixed in the idea that his school cannot be improved, and also in the belief that it is a thing apart from the general school system and that he is the sole judge of the methods to be used in that school; and we feel it our duty to express specifically our disapproval of his attitude in regard to this transfer.

George E. Brock,
David A. Ellis,
James P. Magenis,
David D. Scannell,
James J. Storrow, Chairman.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 11:45 o'clock P.M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Feb. 3, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

Present: All the members, except Mr. Storrow.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, Mr. Brock was elected Chairman pro tempore.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS AND NURSES.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, recommending that the minutes of the meeting of Jan. 20 be amended on page 9 to provide that the appointments on probation of the following-named assistant nurses shall take effect on the dates specified:

Assistant Nurses—Anna Regan, Alice B. Felton, Katharine FitzGerald, Helena M. Daly, Hulda H. Tingley, Ruth H. Johnson, from Feb. 3, 1908; Mary F. Donovan, from May 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and the minutes amended accordingly.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of nurses as aforesaid.

The appointments were approved.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of a teacher and assistant nurses on probation, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of Jan. 27.

The appointments were approved.

COURSE IN BOOKKEEPING, EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

Subsequently, the Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order, laid over at the last meeting:

ORDERED, That Moore & Miner's Accounting and Business Practice, Corporation Accounting and Banking (with accompanying business forms) be authorized for use as a text-book in the evening high schools.

The order passed.

RECONSTRUCTION OF GUN RACKS, DORCHESTER HIGH, ENGLISH HIGH AND PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Jan. 29, 1908, in response to the order passed by the Board at its last meeting, relative to the reconstruction of the

gun racks in the Dorchester High, English High and Public Latin School-houses, stating that the matter will be taken up immediately, and given due consideration. Placed on file.

REOCCUPANCY OF QUINCY SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, stating that on said date the classes removed temporarily from the Quincy School-house, because of the necessity of strengthening the foundations of that building, are again occupying their original quarters.

Placed on file.

DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of the following-named teacher, which occurred on the date stated:

Frothingham District—Martha J. Bryant, assistant, Feb. 2, 1908.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Chapman District—Mariannie H. Simons, first assistant, kindergarten, Jan. 9, 1908.

Dwight District—H. Maude Marshall, assistant, kindergarten, Feb. 4, 1908.

Hancock District—Ella A. Curtis, assistant, Feb. 4, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Adams District—Aloyse M. Owen, Nov. 15, 1907, one day.

Agassiz District—Eva K. Boyce (under a special order), from Feb. 3, 1908.

Brimmer District—Catherine G. Kelleher, from Feb. 4, 1908.

Longfellow District—Mary C. Burns, from Jan. 22 to 29, 1908, inclusive.

Approved.

REAPPOINTMENTS OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Blackinton District—Eva M. Cotton, assistant, from Feb. 17, 1908.

Bowdoin District—Frances A. Neilson, assistant, from Jan. 28, 1908.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Adams District—Josephine M. Hodgkinson, assistant, from Feb. 17, 1908.

Blackinton District—Mabel E. Vaughn, assistant, fourth year, from Mar. 2, 1908.

Frothingham District—Bertha F. Dodge, assistant, from Feb. 17, 1908.

Lincoln District—Mildred H. Tavender, assistant, second year, from Feb. 10, 1908.

Manual Training—Sheba E. Berry, assistant instructor, from Feb. 10, 1908.

Assistant Nurses—Ellen M. Dwyer, from Feb. 17, 1908; Frances Z. Flannery, from Mar. 2, 1908.

Laid over.

Subsequently, the rules were suspended, and the appointments of Ellen M. Dwyer as assistant nurse, to date from Feb. 17,

1908, and of Frances Z. Flannery, as assistant nurse, to date from Mar. 2, 1908, were approved.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Brimmer District—Margaret M. Brennan, assistant.

Wells District—Maizie E. Wilson, assistant.

Manual Training—I. Virginia Lyons, instructor.

Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1907-08.

Franklin District—Elizabeth Hutchings, assistant, from Jan. 21, 1908.

Lyman District—Thomas E. Kelley, assistant, from Jan. 21, 1908.

Quincy District—Elmer E. Harris, assistant, from Jan. 14, 1908; Katharine Weisman, assistant, from Jan. 8, 1908.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Comins District—Mina Guyton, assistant, kindergarten, to the same position in the Dwight District, from Feb. 1, 1908.

Quincy Evening School—Florence R. LeBlanc, Caroline G. Tunis, assistants, to the same positions in the Lyman Evening School, from Jan. 20, 1908.

Placed on file.

EMERGENCY LIST FOR EVENING SCHOOLS.

Evening Elementary Schools—Assistant.
Roger A. Powers.

Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Charlestown High School—Jennie V. Richardson, special assistant instructor, from Jan. 23 until Feb. 24, 1908.

Dearborn District—Elizabeth W. O'Connell, assistant, from Jan. 17 until May 17, 1908; Mary G. Kenney, assistant, Jan. 20, 1908, one-half day.

Dillaway District—Elizabeth A. O'Neill, assistant, Jan. 23, 1908, one-half day.

Edward Everett District—Etta C. Rochefort, assistant, from Feb. 1 until June 1, 1908.

Elliot District—Margaret V. Quinlan, first assistant, kindergarten, Jan. 23, 1908, one day.

Franklin District—Lillian Tishler, assistant, Jan. 30, 1908, one-half day.

Frothingham District—Lena E. Campbell, assistant, Jan. 23, 1908, one-half day.

Hancock District—Eleanor A. M. Colleton, Margaret Mulligan, Catherine C. O'Connell, assistants, Jan. 29, 1908, one day; Margaret V. Meade, first assistant, kindergarten, Jan. 22, 1908, one day.

Henry L. Pierce District—Ethel M. Haynes, assistant, Jan. 28, 1908, one day.

Lyman District—Frances E. Donovan, assistant, Jan. 17 to 22, 1908, two and one-half days.

Norcross District—Mary R. Roberts, master's assistant, Jan. 28, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips District—Mary E. Smith, assistant, Jan. 29, 1908, one day.

Rice District—Sarah E. Bowers, Clara C. Dunn, assistants, Jan. 29, 1908, one day.

Sherwin District—Laura L. Brown, assistant, Jan. 21, 1908, one-half day, and Jan. 23, 1908, one-half day; Clara S. Ziersch, assistant, Jan. 22, 1908, one-half day.

Shurtleff District—Lillian M. Hall, assistant, Jan. 27, 1908, one-half day.

Thomas Gardner District—Bertha E. Davis, assistant, Jan. 23, 1908, one day.

Warren District—Abbie M. Mott, first as-

sistant, grammar school, from Feb. 1 until Mar. 1, 1908; Rose M. Cole, assistant, Jan. 20, 1908, one day; Caroline A. Meade, assistant, Jan. 21, 1908, one-half day; Annie A. F. Mellish, assistant, Jan. 17, 1908, one-half day.

Washington District—Mary A. L. Timony, assistant, Jan. 29, 1908, one day.

Wells District—Mary I. F. Finneran, assistant, Jan. 27, 1908, one-half day; Annie E. Flanagan, assistant, Jan. 2 to 17, 1908, twelve days.

Sewing—Mary J. McEntyre, teacher, Jan. 20, 1908, one day; Frances Tully, teacher, Jan. 20 and 23, 1908, two days.

Subsequently, on the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers, without loss of pay, for the terms specified:—

Brimmer District—Mary M. McLaughlin, assistant, Jan. 29, 1908, one-half day.

Dearborn District—C. Agnes Dailey, assistant, Jan. 29, 1908, one-half day.

Franklin District—Teresa A. Tehan, assistant, Jan. 29, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips Brooks District—Frances E. Dailey, assistant, Jan. 29, 1908, one-half day.

Washington Allston District—William C. Crawford, master, Jan. 23 and 29, 1908, two days.

Subsequently, on the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted the following-named teachers, without pay, for the terms specified:—

Charlestown High School—Sarah Shaw, assistant, from Apr. 8 until Sept. 1, 1908.

High School of Commerce—James E. Downey, master, Jan. 31, 1908, one-half day.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of fifty-eight minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of two to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

SUPERVISOR OF LICENSED MINORS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, reporting that, acting under the provisions of section 435 of the regulations, he had assigned Philip Davis, a truant officer, to act as supervisor of licensed minors.

Placed on file.

DISCIPLINARY CLASS, RICE DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, stating that, subject to the approval of the Board, he has established a disciplinary class in the Rice District.

Approved, and the communication placed on file.

SCHOOL FURNITURE.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, to whom was referred Jan. 3 a communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian with reference to school furniture, recommending the adoption of a desk with a single standard, instead of the present two standards, substantially as follows:—

The Director of Physical Training and Athletics has investigated the matter and has reported thereon to the following effect: That the construction of a desk having a single upright rather than two uprights is both practical and, he believes, very necessary for these reasons: First, janitors do not sweep the floors thoroughly at the present time, principally on account of the obstacle presented by these two up-

rights; Second, many children use the up-rights for inserting their feet in such a way as to act as stirrups for pulling themselves up and down in their seats; Third, a considerable saving in the item of floor brushes would probably result from the adoption of a desk having but one upright.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners for consideration.

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL COURSES, EVENING HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, in response to the order passed by the Board at its meeting of Jan. 6, requesting him to prepare and submit a specific plan for the introduction of more commercial and industrial courses in the evening high and elementary schools, transmitting recommendations relating thereto prepared by the Director of Evening and Vacation Schools.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

ASSIGNMENT OF KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS IN MARTIN DISTRICT TO NORMAL SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to assign the kindergarten teachers in the Martin District to temporary work in the Normal School for the remainder of the school year 1907-08, without additional expense to the city.

EXTENSION TELEPHONE BELL, ROBERT G. SHAW SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for an extension bell in the Robert G. Shaw School Building.

EMPLOYMENT OF MEN DAY SCHOOL TEACHERS IN EVENING SCHOOLS.

The Superintendent offered the following: ORDERED, That when the completion of the present evening school term will cause the men teachers of day school to exceed the three hundred nights of service allowed for any five year period, the Superintendent may, at his discretion, authorize the continuance of the service until the close of the evening school term.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION, SOUTH BOSTON EVENING HIGH SCHOOL, MAR. 17, 1908.

The Superintendent offered the following: ORDERED, That the session of the South Boston Evening High School be suspended on the evening of Tuesday, Mar. 17, 1908.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT, BUSINESS AGENT'S OFFICE.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, stating that, subject to the approval of the Board, he had appointed Annie V. Hillis as an assistant in his office, to date from Feb. 17, 1908.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

RESIGNATIONS OF JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, enclosing the resignations of Michael Dundon, janitor of the Joshua Bates and Portable No. 20 School-houses, from the latter building, to date from Dec. 18, 1907, and of James Shute, janitor of the Mead-street and Portable No. 90 School-houses, from the latter building, to date from Jan. 1, 1908.

The communication was placed on file, and the resignations accompanying the same accepted.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF AND AMOUNTS DUE ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Albert Palmer and Portable No. 62 School-houses—William H. Weir, appointed from Jan. 21, 1908; amount due from Jan. 21 to 25, 1908, inclusive, \$10.33; George H. Melzard, appointed from Jan. 26, 1908; amount due for Jan. 26 and 27, 1908, \$4.13; William Sennott, appointed from Jan. 28, 1908.

Benjamin Cushing School-house—Willard Hawes, appointed from Jan. 27, 1908.

Bowdoin School-house—John Walsh, appointed from Jan. 27, 1908; amount due from Jan. 27 to 29, inclusive, \$11.50; Thomas Landrigan, appointed from Jan. 30, 1908; Alexander Summers, appointed from Jan. 30, 1908.

Clinch and Portable No. 25 and Shurtleff Portable No. 72 School-houses—William Conway, appointed from Jan. 27, 1908.

Common-street School-house—Thomas Breanan, amount due from Jan. 16 to 26, 1908, inclusive, \$14.66.

Florence-street School-house—William Conway, reappointed from Jan. 24, 1908; amount due from Jan. 14 to 25, 1908, inclusive, \$22.

Stoughton School-house—Elijah B. Hallett, appointed from Feb. 3, 1908.

Tuckerman School-house—John A. Downey, reappointed from Jan. 16, 1908; amount due from Jan. 6 to 26, 1908, inclusive, \$49.69.

Walnut-street School-house—Edward Powers, appointed from Jan. 27, 1908.

The communication was placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Thomas Brennan, Common-street School-house, from Jan. 16 to 26, 1908, inclusive, fourteen and 66-100 dollars (\$14.66).

To William Conway, Florence-street School-house, from Jan. 14 to 25, 1908, inclusive, twenty-two dollars (\$22).

To John A. Downey, Tuckerman School-house, from Jan. 6 to 26, 1908, inclusive, forty-nine and 69-100 dollars (\$49.69).

To George H. Melzard, Albert Palmer and Portable No. 62 School-houses, Jan. 26 and 27, 1908, four and 13-100 dollars (\$4.13).

To John Walsh, Bowdoin School-house, from Jan. 27 to 29, 1908, inclusive, eleven and 50-100 dollars (\$11.50).

To William H. Weir, Albert Palmer and Portable No. 62 School-houses, from Jan. 21 to 25, 1908, inclusive, ten and 33-100 dollars (\$10.33).

JANITORSHIP, ALBERT PALMER AND PORTABLE NO. 62 SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Albert Palmer and Portable No. 62 School-houses, and recommending the transfer of David

F. Sennott, janitor of the Horace Mann School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to date from Feb. 5, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the transfer of David F. Sennott to said position was approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, BENJAMIN CUSHING SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Benjamin Cushing School-house, and recommending the transfer of Thomas Kinsley, janitor of the Old Gibson School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Feb. 6, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the transfer of Thomas Kinsley to said position was approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, BOWDOIN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Bowdoin School-house, and recommending the transfer of Samuel A. Dodds, janitor of the Comins School-house, who stands second on the list, to the position, to date from Feb. 5, 1908.

Laid over.

JANITORSHIP, CLINCH AND PORTABLE NO. 25 AND SHURTLEFF PORTABLE NO. 72 SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Clinch and Portable No. 25 and Shurtleff Portable No. 72 School-houses, and recommending the transfer of Andrew J. Dole, janitor of the Bailey-street and two Portable School-houses, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Feb. 6, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of Andrew J. Dole to said position was approved from the date stated.

SUSPENSION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 3, 1908, stating that he had suspended the janitor of the Stoughton School-house for cause for a period of ten days, from Feb. 3, 1908, and recommending that said janitor be placed on probation for six months.

Placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Schoolhouse Custodian was instructed to notify said janitor to appear before the Board at its next meeting and to continue his suspension until that date.

COMMUNICATION.

A communication was received from the Girls' Latin School Alumnae Association, under date of Feb. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

SALARY DUE WILLIAM H. FURBER.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the salary due William H. Furber, late master of the Prescott District, be paid to his widow, Annie P. Furber.

TUITION OF BOSTON PUPIL IN BROOKLINE HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Mrs. Isabelle B. Woods, under date of Jan. 30, 1908, requesting that the Board allow her daughter to attend the Brookline High School at the expense of the city.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, placed on file.

LICENSED MINORS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the Secretary is hereby directed to inform the Committee on Legal Affairs of the General Court that the amendment of section eighteen of chapter sixty-five of the Revised Laws, as proposed in House Bill No. 547, An Act Relative to the Sale of Articles by Minors, would materially aid this Board in the enforcement of existing laws relating to the licensing of minors.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

TUITION OF BOSTON PUPILS IN BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

Mr. Brock, to whom was referred at the meeting of Jan. 20, a communication from the Superintendent, relative to an application of Mrs. Arthur H. Park, residing on Corey road, that the city assume the cost of tuition of her children in the Brookline schools, made an oral report thereon, recommending that the application be approved.

The report was accepted, and the recommendation adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board adjourned at 10:05 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Feb. 17, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of Feb. 3.

The appointments were approved.

MANUAL TRAINING IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

The Chairman stated that the Board proposed to take up the question of instruction in manual training in the high schools, and the desirability of continuing and extending such instruction in those schools was presented to the Board by Assistant Superintendent White, George W. Evans, Head-Master of the Charlestown High School, Walter Sargent, Director of Drawing and Manual Training, John F. Casey, Head-Master of the English High School, Albert P. Walker, Head-Master of the Girls' High School, John F. Eliot, Head-Master of the East Boston High School, and Frederic A. Tupper, Head-Master of the Brighton High School.

The Board took the matter under further consideration.

COST OF ELECTRICITY FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The Chairman stated that the Board desired to obtain further information with regard to the cost of electricity used for lighting and for power in school buildings; and to that end had invited the attendance of representatives of various companies furnishing the same, and called upon Mr. Charles J. Hatch, representing the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, who explained the basis of charges made by that company. Mr. Edgar N. Wrightington, Secretary of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company, made a similar statement with regard to the company represented by him, and was followed by Mr. Samuel J. Fowler, Treasurer of the Charlestown Gas & Electric Company.

The matter was taken under further advisement.

ADJOURNED MEETING.

Mr. Magenis moved that when the Board adjourned it be to meet on Thursday, Feb. 20, at 4:30 o'clock P.M.

Passed.

SUSPENSION OF JANITORS.

The Board took up for consideration the case of the janitor of the Stoughton School-house, who had been suspended from duty, and who was in attendance in accordance with the action taken by the Board at its last meeting (see minutes p. 26).

Subsequently, it was ORDERED, That the janitor of the Stoughton School-house be suspended for a period of thirty days, to date from Feb. 3, 1908, and that the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed to arrange for his transfer to a smaller building.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, reporting that he had suspended the janitor of the Parkman School-house for negligence of duty.

Placed on file.

Subsequently, it was ORDERED, That the janitor of the Parkman School-house be suspended for a period of thirty days, to date from Feb. 10, 1908, and that the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed to arrange for his transfer to a smaller building.

DISCHARGE OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 10, 1908, reporting that the janitor of the B. F. Tweed School-house, Charlestown, fails to heat the building under his charge properly, and to pay proper attention to instructions given him with regard to the management of his apparatus.

Placed on file.

Subsequently, it was ORDERED, That Jerome F. Rice, be notified that he is discharged from the position of janitor of the B. F. Tweed School-house, subject to the approval of the Mayor, because of his failure to render satisfactory service in that position, and to properly heat the building under his charge.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the doors were opened.

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of February, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Magenis.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board adjourned at 12:55 o'clock A.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Feb. 20, 1908.

An adjourned regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 4.30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members, except Mr. Ellis.

MEMORIAL EXERCISES, FEB. 14, 1908.

The following communication was received:

City of Boston,
In Common Council.

January 30, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to have memorial exercises in the public schools of this city, on Friday, Feb. 14, 1908, in commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the destruction of the battleship "Maine," in Havana Harbor.

In Common Council, Jan. 30, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy. Attest:

Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.
Mayor's Office, City Hall,
Boston, Mass., Feb. 7, 1908.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.
Placed on file.

NEW BUILDING FOR BRIMMER SCHOOL.

An order of the Common Council, under date of Feb. 6, 1908, requesting the Schoolhouse Commissioners to provide in their estimates for the present financial year a sum sufficient for the erection of a new building for the Brimmer School, now located on Common street, accompanied by a communication relating thereto from the Chairman of the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Feb. 12, 1908, was received from His Honor the Mayor.

Placed on file.

PETITION OF EDISON ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY FOR CONVEYANCE OF LAND ON SCOTIA STREET.

A petition was received from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company for the conveyance by the city to said Company of an eight inch strip of land adjoining the Mechanic Arts High School estate on Scotia street.

Placed on file.

Mr. Magenis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That it is advisable to sell, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1906, a certain strip of land eight inches wide and seventy feet long, bounding northerly on Scotia street and westerly on land of O'Brien, being the extreme westerly portion of the parcel of land taken July 17, 1903, for an addition to the lot of the Mechanic Arts High School, together with the half of a brick party wall standing thereon, and also to grant and convey to the Edison Electric Illuminating Company a right of way in common with others now or hereafter

entitled thereto over and through another strip of land ten feet wide bounded northerly by Scotia street and westerly by the above described strip, and extending southerly to the middle of an existing passageway; provided, that said Company shall release to the City of Boston all its right, title and interest in and to the ten-foot passageway formerly existing between Dalton street and said strip of land ten feet wide, and all its claims for damages, if any it has, on account of the taking and closing of said former passageway.

The order passed, all the members present, namely four, voting in the affirmative.

SCHOOL FURNITURE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 14, 1908, with reference to the adoption of a desk with a single standard instead of the present two standards, which matter was referred to that Board on Feb. 3, stating that in the opinion of the Commission the proposed change is not practicable.

Placed on file.

USE OF SCHOOL YARDS FOR PLAYGROUND PURPOSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Feb. 14, 1908, requesting early information as to what action the School Committee proposes to take in regard to the extended use of school yards for playground purposes, as the Commission is now making plans for both minor and major repair work for the year.

Placed on file.

ROOMS FOR NURSES IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 14, 1908, with reference to providing accommodations for nurses in school buildings, and suggesting that additions to the Eliot and Warren Schoolhouses be constructed, which would provide accommodations for the nurses and also a teachers' room in each building, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for "land and buildings."

Referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report.

SEMI-MONTHLY PAYMENT OF JANITORS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That from and after Mar. 1, 1908, janitors in the employ of the School Committee shall be paid semi-monthly, and the Business Agent is hereby instructed to prepare and forward his payrolls accordingly.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

(To Retire from the Service.)

Mary Hemenway District—Florence G. Willis, assistant, Mar. 2, 1908.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Lyman District—Annie M. Wilcox, first assistant, primary school, Feb. 18, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Bennett District—Mary E. A. McPherson, from Feb. 18, 1908 to Mar. 2, 1908, inclusive.
 Dudley District—Mary F. Powers, kindergarten, Dec. 5, 1907, one day.
 Franklin District—Anna Sansiper, from Feb. 19, 1908, to Mar. 2, 1908, inclusive.
 Frothingham District—Margaret M. O'Connor, from Feb. 17, 1908.
 Longfellow District—Esther L. Kimball, Feb. 3 and 4, 1908, two days.
 Martin District—Ida F. Wall, from Jan. 2, 1908.
 Minot District—Mary E. Flynn, kindergarten, from Jan. 30, 1908.
 Quincy District—Mary H. Healey, from Feb. 14, 1908, to Feb. 21, 1908, inclusive.
 Winthrop District—Margaret F. Cummings, from Feb. 10, 1908.
 Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Frothingham District—Mary T. Lynch, assistant, from Feb. 3, 1908, to Feb. 14, 1908, inclusive.
 Prescott District—William A. Reed, sub-master, from Jan. 28, 1908, to Feb. 28, 1908, inclusive.
 Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Bennett District—Mary E. A. McPherson, assistant, from Mar. 3, 1908.
 Comins District—Elizabeth M. Quigley, Rosanna M. Dowd, assistants, from Mar. 3, 1908.
 Franklin District—Anna Sansiper, assistant, from Mar. 3, 1908.
 Jefferson District—Helen E. Wray, assistant, from Mar. 3, 1908.
 Mary Hemenway District—Lillian G. Pattinson, assistant, from Mar. 2, 1908.
 Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Normal School—Charles M. Lamprey, master, director of the Model School, and head of the department of history, from Mar. 1, 1908.
 Public Latin School—John K. Richardson, master, head of the department of Latin, from Mar. 15, 1908; Patrick T. Campbell, master, head of the department of history, from Mar. 15, 1908.
 Girls' Latin School—Florence Dix, first assistant, head of the department of history, from Mar. 15, 1908; Mary C. C. Goddard, first assistant, head of the department of mathematics, from Mar. 15, 1908; Abby C. Howes, first assistant, head of the department of English, from Mar. 15, 1908; Helen A. Stuart, first assistant, head of the department of French, from Mar. 15, 1908.
 Brighton High School—Mariette F. Allen, first assistant, head of the department of English, from Mar. 15, 1908.
 Charlestown High School—Lotta A. Clark, first assistant, head of the department of history, from Mar. 15, 1908; Sarah Shaw, first assistant, head of the department of English, from Mar. 15, 1908.
 Dorchester High School—Anna M. Fries, first assistant, head of the department of German, from Mar. 15, 1908; Louisa E. Humphrey, first assistant, head of the department of English, from Mar. 15, 1908; Katherine K. Marlow, first assistant, head of the department of French, from Mar. 15, 1908.
 East Boston High School—Lucy R. Beadle, first assistant, head of the department of French, from Mar. 15, 1908; Gracia E. Read, first assistant, head of the department of mathematics, from Mar. 15, 1908; Alma F. Silsby, first assistant, head of the department of history, from Mar. 15, 1908.
 Girls' High School—Parnell S. Murray, first assistant, head of the department of

mathematics, from Mar. 15, 1908; Emma G. Shaw, first assistant, head of the department of history, from Mar. 15, 1908; Sarah A. Shorey, first assistant, head of the department of foreign languages, from Mar. 15, 1908; Laura E. White, first assistant, head of the department of science, from Mar. 15, 1908.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Annie L. Bennett, first assistant, head of the department of industries, from Mar. 15, 1908; Grace G. Starbird, first assistant, head of the department of art, from Mar. 15, 1908.

Roxbury High School—Persis P. Drake, first assistant, head of the department of Latin, from Mar. 15, 1908; Mary T. Loughlin, first assistant, head of the department of modern languages, from Mar. 15, 1908; Edith A. Parkhurst, first assistant, head of the department of history, from Mar. 15, 1908.

South Boston High School—Clara A. W. Barnes, first assistant, head of the department of ancient languages, from Mar. 15, 1908; Lillian J. MacRae, first assistant, head of the department of science, from Mar. 15, 1908; Annie M. Mulcahy, first assistant, head of the department of mathematics, from Mar. 15, 1908.

West Roxbury High School—Mary I. Adams, first assistant, head of the department of English, from Mar. 15, 1908; Caroline W. Trask, first assistant, head of the department of mathematics, from Mar. 15, 1908; Blanche G. Wetherbee, first assistant, head of the department of history, from Mar. 15, 1908.

Rice District—Sadie W. Jenkins, assistant in charge of a disciplinary class, from Mar. 1, 1908.

Laid over.

DIRECTOR OF EVENING AND VACATION SCHOOLS.

Director of Evening and Vacation Schools—Maurice J. O'Brien, on probation, from Mar. 1, 1908.
 Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

English High School—Francis J. Conlin, junior master.
 Blackinton District—Everett L. Getchell, sub-master.
 Eliot District—Louise M. De Voto, assistant.
 Robert G. Shaw District—Martha B. Johnson, assistant.
 Washington District—Katherine L. Driscoll, assistant.
 Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Bigelow Elementary School—Frederick W. Swan, principal, from Mar. 1, 1908.
 Eliot Elementary School—Rose J. Geggis, assistant, from Feb. 11, 1908.
 Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Martin District—W. Lawrence Murphy, master, to the position of master of the Prescott District, to date from Mar. 1, 1908.
 Approved.

Public Latin School—Henry Pennypacker, master, on probation, head of the department of ancient languages, to the position of master, on probation, head of the department of Greek in the same school, to date from Mar. 15, 1908.
 Dorchester High School—Albert S. Perkins, master, on probation, head of the department of science, to the position of master, on probation, head of the department of ancient languages, in the same school, to date from Mar. 15, 1908.

Washington Allston Evening School—Mary G. Coyle, assistant, to the same position in the Eliot Evening School, to date from Feb. 10, 1908.

Placed on file.

EMERGENCY LIST FOR EVENING SCHOOLS.

Evening Elementary Schools—Assistant. Alice J. Moran.
Approved.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Dillaway District—(Kenilworth street Kindergarten), Mary E. Brazil, from Feb. 17, 1908.

Dudley District—(Miles Standish Kindergarten), Lizzie Miller, from Feb. 10, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Agassiz District—Elvera M. Bloom, assistant, Feb. 5, 1908, one-half day.

Bennett District—Margaret I. Scollans, first assistant in charge, Feb. 13, 1908, one-half day; Gertrude E. Sanderson, assistant, Feb. 10, 1908, one day.

Bunker Hill District—Angelia M. Knowles, assistant, from Feb. 12, 1908, to Apr. 12, 1908.

Chapman District—Gertrude W. Merrill, assistant, from Feb. 1, 1908, to Mar. 1, 1908.

Charles Sumner District—Anna M. Leach, first assistant in charge, Jan. 29, 1908, one-half day.

Dillaway District—Martha L. Reid, assistant, Feb. 3 and 4, 1908, two days.

Edward Everett District—Margaret R. Dwyer, assistant, Feb. 17, 1908, to May 1, 1908.

Emerson District—Mary E. Plummer, first assistant in charge, Jan. 27, 1908, one-half day.

Hancock District—Catherine W. Fraser, assistant, Feb. 7, 1908, one-half day.

Harvard District—Sarah R. Dodge, assistant, from Feb. 1, 1908, to Apr. 1, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Louise Townsend, assistant, Jan. 14, 1908, to Jan. 17, 1908, inclusive, four days.

John A. Andrew District—Mary E. Keohan, assistant, Jan. 2 and 3, 1908, two days.

Lawrence District—Marcella F. Dowd, assistant, from Dec. 6, 1907, to Jan. 11, 1908.

Longfellow District—Mary M. A. Twombly, assistant, Jan. 3, 1908, one-half day.

Lyman District—Annie M. Wilcox, first assistant, primary school, Dec. 15 to 21, 1907, Jan. 2 to 6 and 9 to 18, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—Anna E. Leahy, assistant, Feb. 4, 1908, one-half day.

Mather District—Carrie F. Parker, assistant, from Feb. 22, 1908, to June 22, 1908.

Phillips District—Nellie M. Foley, assistant, Feb. 6 and 7, 1908, two days.

Phillips Brooks District—Jane K. Daly, assistant, Jan. 23, 1908, one-half day;

Blanche V. Smith, assistant, Jan. 3, 1908, one day, and Jan. 22, 1908, one day.

Prescott District—Mary E. Keyes, master's assistant, Jan. 8, 1908, one day; Katharine F. O'Brien, assistant, from Mar. 4, 1908, to Apr. 4, 1908.

Roger Wolcott District—Henry E. Loring, sub-master, Feb. 4, 1908, one-half day.

Shurtleff District—Florence G. Frazer, assistant, from Feb. 5, 1908, to May 5, 1908;

Marion W. Rundlett, assistant, Feb. 14, 1908, one-half day.

Warren District—Alice V. Tuttle, first assistant, kindergarten, Jan. 2 and 3, 1908, two days.

Washington Allston District—Fannie B. Sanderson, assistant, Feb. 10, 1908, one day.

William E. Russell District—Mary G. Ellis, assistant, Jan. 22, 1908, one day; Edwin T. Horne, master, Feb. 7, 1908, one day.

Sewing—Margaret A. Kelley, teacher, from Jan. 7, 1908, to Jan. 31, 1908; Agnes E. McDonald, teacher, Jan. 8, 1908, one day.

On report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study and travel, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to the following named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Brighton High School—Ida M. Curtis, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, to Sept. 1, 1909.

South Boston High School—Elisabeth G. Tracy, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, to Sept. 1, 1909; Blanche A. Bemis, special instructor of physical training, from Sept. 1, 1908, to Sept. 1, 1909.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of one hundred forty-nine minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of five to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDER.

The Board took up for consideration the annual appropriation order prepared and submitted by the Auditor in accordance with the rules, as follows:

SCHOOLS.

APPROPRIATION, 1908-1909.

To the School Committee:

The undersigned would state that the Board of Assessors has certified that the average taxable valuation of the city on which the sum allowed the School Committee is based amounts to \$1,277,830,274.59.

The School Committee is authorized by statute to appropriate "for the support of the public schools" and "for repairs and alterations of school buildings" three dollars and six cents (\$3.06) upon each \$1.00 of the taxable valuation of the city. This amounts this year to \$3,910,160.64. The School Committee may also appropriate

Estimated income for 1908-09.....\$50,048.84
Unexpended balance, 1907-08.....2,801.51

\$52,850.35

Less the difference between the

estimated income for 1907-08,
which was\$51,584.37
and the amount collected.... 50,573.38

1,010.99

\$51,839.36

In addition the sum of \$5,678.15, the balance unexpended on Physical Education previously appropriated, may be used for that specific purpose. This makes the total amount which the School Committee may expend for the carrying on of the schools and for the maintenance of school buildings during the current year \$3,967,678.15. Of this amount, not less than \$319,457.57 (being twenty-five cents on each thousand dollars of the valuation) must be appropriated solely for repairs and alterations of school buildings, and \$51,113.21 may be appropriated solely for expenditures pertaining to Physical Education, as authorized by chapter 295 of the Acts of 1907.

The appropriation as recommended is based upon the following:

\$2.75 per thousand on \$1,277,830,274.99,
"Ordinary"\$3,514,033.25
.25 per thousand "Repairs", etc..... 319,457.57
.04 per thousand Chapter 295, Acts of
1907 "Physical Education" 51,113.21
.02 per thousand Chapter 357, Acts of
1907, "Appointment of Nurses" 25,556.61
Unexpended balance, 1907-08,
general appropriation.....\$2,901.51
Less amount overestimated as
income 1907-08..... 1,010.99
1,790.52
Estimated income for 1908-09..... 50,048.84
\$3,962,000.00

The amount of money available the coming year may carry on the schools as they at present exist, but will not permit of any new expenditures, nor will it be sufficient to cover the extra amount that will be required to pay janitors weekly.

In accordance with section 1, chapter 418, of the Acts of 1901, and acts in addition thereto, or amendments thereof, the passage of the accompanying order is recommended.

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Porter,
Auditor.

BASIS FOR THE APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDED, 1908-1909.

Salaries of Teachers. Normal School.

1 Head-master	\$3,780
1 Master	3,204
1 Master	2,484
9 Assistants at \$1,620.....	14,580
1 Assistant	1,380
1 Assistant	1,260
1 Assistant	1,140
1 Instructor in Drawing.....	2,508
1 Clerical Assistant.....	504
	<u>\$30,840</u>

Latin and High Schools. Masters and Junior-Masters.

11 Head-masters at \$3,780.....	\$41,580
2 Head-masters at \$3,492.....	6,984
18 Masters at \$3,204.....	57,672
18 Masters at \$3,060.....	55,080
3 Masters at \$2,916.....	8,748
2 Masters at \$2,628.....	5,256
8 Masters at \$2,484.....	19,872
2 Masters at \$2,340.....	4,680
5 Junior-masters at \$2,916.....	14,580
2 Junior-masters at \$2,722.....	5,544
1 Junior-master	2,628
2 Junior-masters at \$2,484.....	4,968
1 Junior-master	2,196
4 Junior-masters at \$2,052.....	8,208
5 Junior-masters at \$1,908.....	9,540
3 Junior-masters at \$1,764.....	5,292
3 Junior-masters at \$1,620.....	4,860
2 Junior-masters at \$1,476.....	2,952
Lectures, High School of Commerce	250

260,890

Instructors, Assistant Principals, and Assistants.

4 Assistant Principals at \$1,836.....	\$7,344
1 First Assistant.....	1,620
1 Instructor	1,980
4 Instructors at \$1,320.....	5,280
1 Assistant Instructor.....	1,188
1 Assistant Instructor.....	1,116
1 Assistant Instructor.....	1,044
6 Assistant Instructors at \$972.....	5,832
4 Assistant Instructors at \$900.....	3,600
56 Assistants at \$1,620.....	90,720
3 Assistants at \$1,548.....	4,644
8 Assistants at \$1,476.....	11,808
7 Assistants at \$1,404.....	9,828
10 Assistants at \$1,332.....	13,320
4 Assistants at \$1,260.....	5,040
6 Assistants at \$1,188.....	7,128
4 Assistants at \$1,116.....	4,464
3 Assistants at \$1,044.....	3,132
2 Assistants at \$972.....	1,944
1 Assistant	1,200
1 Special Assistant.....	720
1 Special Assistant.....	600
9 Special Assistants at \$540.....	4,860
10 Instructors on half pay.....	4,500

192,912

Mechanic Arts High School.

1 Head-master	\$3,780
2 Masters at \$3,204.....	6,408
3 Masters at \$3,060.....	9,180
1 Junior-master	2,916
1 Junior-master	2,628
3 Junior-masters at \$2,052.....	6,156
1 Junior-master	1,908

1 Instructor in Metal Working....	2,580
3 Instructors at \$2,340.....	7,020
1 Instructor	1,980
2 Instructors at \$1,320.....	2,640
1 First Assistant.....	1,764
1 Assistant Instructor.....	1,476
2 Assistant Instructors at \$1,260.....	2,520
1 Assistant Instructor.....	1,116
1 Assistant Instructor.....	972
1 Special Assistant Instructor....	960
1 Tool-keeper	480
1 Special Assistant.....	600
Temporary special assistant service	2,300
Additional compensation for extra work of instructors named above	3,816

63,200

Elementary Schools. Masters and Sub-Masters.

49 Masters at \$3,180.....	\$155,820
5 Masters at \$3,060.....	15,300
4 Masters at \$2,940.....	11,760
4 Masters at \$2,820.....	11,280
2 Masters at \$2,700.....	5,400
35 Sub-masters at \$2,340.....	88,920
5 Sub-masters at \$2,220.....	11,100
5 Sub-masters at \$2,100.....	10,500
4 Sub-masters at \$1,980.....	7,920
8 Sub-masters at \$1,860.....	14,880
5 Sub-masters at \$1,740.....	8,700
11 Sub-masters at \$1,620.....	17,820
1 Sub-master on half pay.....	800

360,200

Masters' Assistants, First Assistants, Etc.

24 Masters' Assistants at \$1,308.....	\$31,392
20 Masters' Assistants at \$1,260.....	25,200
3 Masters' Assistants at \$1,212.....	3,636
3 Masters' Assistants at \$1,164.....	3,492
1 Master's Assistant at.....	1,116
6 Masters' Assistants at \$1,068.....	6,408
1 Master's Assistant at.....	1,020
3 Masters' Assistants at \$972.....	2,916
24 First Assistants at \$1,212.....	29,088
1 First Assistant at.....	1,164
8 First Assistants at \$1,116.....	8,928
7 First Assistants at \$1,080.....	7,560
5 First Assistants at \$1,068.....	5,340
70 First Assistants in Charge at \$1,116	78,120
5 First Assistants in Charge at \$1,068	5,340
5 First Assistants in Charge at \$1,080	5,400
1 First Assistant in Charge at.....	1,020
852 Assistants at \$936.....	797,472
99 Assistants at \$888.....	87,912
39 Assistants at \$840.....	74,760
97 Assistants at \$792.....	76,824
73 Assistants at \$744.....	54,312
62 Assistants at \$696.....	43,152
77 Assistants at \$648.....	49,896
68 Assistants at \$600.....	40,800
45 Assistants at \$552.....	24,840
19 Assistants on half pay.....	6,000
30 Temporary teachers, 40 days at	\$2,400
80 Special Assistants, 50 days at	6,000

Less amount city will receive from absent teachers 4,500

3,900
1,477,008

Kindergartens.

Director at	\$1,800
88 First Assistants at \$792.....	69,696
7 First Assistants at \$744.....	5,208
3 First Assistants at \$696.....	2,088
4 First Assistants at \$648.....	2,592
1 First Assistant.....	624
35 Assistants at \$624.....	21,840
26 Assistants at \$576.....	14,976
12 Assistants at \$528.....	6,336
15 Assistants at \$480.....	7,200
14 Assistants at \$432.....	6,048
Special Assistant service.....	300
100 Attendants, 180 days.....	9,000
2 First Assistants on half pay...	500

148,208

Horace Mann School for the Deaf.		
Principal	\$3,150	
1 Assistant Principal	1,440	
11 Assistants at \$1,284	14,124	
1 Assistant	1,212	
1 Assistant	996	
1 Assistant	924	
Special Assistant service	300	
		22,176

School on Spectacle Island.		
Teacher	\$648	
Supervisor of Substitutes	3,060	548
Supervisor of Practice	1,692	3,060
		1,692

Modern Languages.		
1 Special Instructor, Dorchester High School	\$1,800	
1 Special Instructor in German, Girls' Latin School	1,800	
1 Special Instructor in French, Roxbury High School	1,200	
1 Special Instructor in French, South Boston High School	1,200	
		6,000

Music.		
Director	\$5,000	
1 Assistant Director	2,652	
3 Assistant Directors at \$2,436	7,308	
3 Assistants at \$1,236	3,708	
1 Assistant	1,140	
		17,808

Drawing and Manual Training.		
Director	\$3,000	
Assistant Director	2,628	
Assistant to Director in Manual Training	1,620	
2 Assistants to Director in Drawing at \$1,500	3,000	
2 Assistants to Director in Drawing at \$1,212	2,424	
1 Special Instructor in Drawing and Manual Training, Brighton High School	1,440	
1 Special Instructor in Drawing and Manual Training, Dorchester High School	1,860	
2 Special Assistant Instructors in Drawing, Dorchester High School	2,448	
1 Special Instructor in Drawing and Manual Training, East Boston High School	1,560	
1 Special Instructor in Drawing, English High School	2,508	
1 Special Assistant Instructor in Drawing, Girls' High School	1,548	
1 Special Assistant Instructor in Drawing, Roxbury High School	1,404	
1 Special Assistant Instructor in Drawing, South Boston High School	1,044	
1 Special Assistant Instructor in Drawing, West Roxbury High School	1,332	
11 Instructors in Manual Training, Elementary Schools, at \$1,200	13,200	
20 Assistant Instructors in Manual Training, Elementary Schools, at \$996	19,920	
6 Assistant Instructors in Manual Training, Elementary Schools, at \$948	5,688	
2 Assistant Instructors in Manual Training, Elementary Schools, at \$900	1,800	
2 Assistant Instructors in Manual Training, Elementary Schools, at \$852	1,704	
1 Assistant Instructor in Manual Training, Elementary Schools	804	
		70,932

Household Science and Arts.		
Supervisor	\$1,356	
15 Instructors in Cookery at \$936	14,040	
2 Instructors in Cookery at \$840	1,680	
3 Instructors in Cookery at \$792	2,376	
2 Instructors in Cookery at \$696	1,392	

2 Instructors in Cookery at \$648	1,296	
3 Instructors in Cookery at \$600	1,800	
2 Instructors in Cookery at \$552	1,104	
		25,044

Sewing.		
52 Teachers, 542 Divisions	\$40,605	
		40,605

Chemistry.		
Special Instructor, Girls' High School	\$1,620	
Special Assistant Instructor, High School	1,044	
		2,664

Commercial Branches.		
1 Special Instructor, Charlestown High School	2,040	
1 Special Instructor, High School of Commerce	1,320	
2 Special Instructors, Dorchester High School	4,080	
1 Special Instructor, East Boston High School	1,920	
1 Special Instructor, English High School	1,800	
1 Special Instructor, Roxbury High School	1,440	
1 Special Instructor, West Roxbury High School	1,440	
1 Special Assistant Instructor, Brighton High School	972	
1 Special Assistant Instructor, Charlestown High School	1,404	
1 Special Assistant Instructor, High School of Commerce	972	
2 Special Assistant Instructors, Dorchester High School	2,520	
1 Special Assistant Instructor, East Boston High School	1,476	
4 Special Assistant Instructors, Girls' High School	5,256	
1 Special Assistant Instructor, South Boston High School	1,332	
1 Special Assistant Instructor, West Roxbury High School	900	
		28,872

Special Classes.		
Medical Inspector	\$1,008	
6 Assistants at \$1,032	6,192	
1 Assistant	984	
1 Assistant	936	
1 Teacher, Disciplinary Class	1,032	
		10,152
Vacation Schools	5,000	5,000
Director of Evening and Vacation Schools	2,100	2,100

Evening High Schools.		
1 Head-master, 22 weeks	\$1,100	
4 Head-masters, 22 weeks	2,640	
59 Assistants, 22 weeks	25,960	
5 Special Assistants	1,628	
Laboratory and Typewriter Assistants	1,320	
Matrons	300	
		32,948

Evening Elementary Schools.		
13 Principals, 22 weeks	\$7,150	
1 Principal, 22 weeks	440	
15 First Assistants, 22 weeks	4,125	
182 Assistants, 22 weeks	40,040	
		51,755

Evening Drawing Schools.		
2 Masters, 66 evenings	\$1,320	
3 Principals, 66 evenings	1,534	
18 Assistants, 66 evenings	7,128	
1 Assistant, 66 evenings	330	
1 Assistant, 66 evenings	264	
5 Curators	660	
		11,286

Total for instructors.....\$2,866,000

Salaries of Officers.		
Superintendent	\$6,000	
Clerks to Superintendent (8)	7,590	
Six Assistant Superintendents at \$4,500	27,000	
Clerk to Assistant Superintendents	660	
Secretary	3,780	
Clerks to Secretary (4)	3,108	
Auditor	3,780	
Clerks to Auditor (2)	1,788	

Business Agent.....	3,780
Clerks to Business Agent (4).....	3,240
Schoolhouse Custodian.....	2,094
Clerk to Schoolhouse Custodian.....	660
Messengers (6).....	3,810
Truant Officers (23).....	22,700
City Treasurer, Custodian.....	1,500
Assistants, Supply Department (4).....	3,600

Total for Officers..... \$105,000

Salaries of Janitors.

High Schools.	
Normal Group.....	\$7,032
Latin and English High:	
Janitor, Latin.....	\$1,920
Janitor, English High.....	4,200
	6,120
Brighton High.....	1,788
Charlestown High.....	2,460
Dorchester High and 3 Portable Buildings:	
Janitor.....	\$3,840
Matron.....	540
	4,380
East Boston High:	
Janitor.....	\$2,568
Matron.....	540
	3,108
Girls' High.....	3,144
High School of Practical Arts.....	624
Mechanic Arts High:	
Janitor.....	\$1,752
Engineer.....	1,524
	3,276
Roxbury High and Annex.....	2,688
South Boston High:	
Janitor.....	\$3,168
Matron.....	540
	3,708
West Roxbury High:	
Janitor.....	\$2,556
Matron.....	540
	3,096

Total for High Schools.....	\$41,424
14 High Schools as enumerated above.....	\$41,424
210 Elementary Schools.....	173,500
85 Portable buildings.....	6,600
40 Special and Evening Schools.....	9,252
Mason-street building (4).....	3,548
Substitute janitors (2).....	1,092
Estimate for additional buildings to be acquired and temporary accommodations that may be needed during the year.....	1,584
Total for janitors.....	\$237,000

Fuel and Light.

25,000 tons of coal at \$4.75 (including weighing).....	\$118,750
400 cords of wood at \$11 (including sawing, housing and splitting).....	4,400
Gas and electric lighting.....	26,850
Electric power.....	3,000

Total under the head "Fuel and Light" \$153,000

Supplies and Incidentals.

Text books, reference books, and exchange of books.....	\$56,500
Books for supplementary reading.....	4,000
Globes, maps and charts.....	1,500
Music expenses: Instruments, repairs and covers.....	2,700
Printing, and stock used for same, including reports of School Committee.....	10,500
Philosophical, chemical, and mathematical apparatus and supplies.....	10,000
School Census.....	1,700
Stationery, drawing materials, and record books.....	36,000
Commercial course in High Schools, typewriting machines, etc.....	1,500
Diplomas, blackboard materials, etc.....	3,000
Removing ashes from schoolhouses and snow from yards.....	2,000
Flags for schoolhouses.....	300
Janitors' and other supplies (including disinfectants).....	11,500
Supplies for vacation schools.....	1,000
Supplies for Manual Training.....	23,000

Supplies for Kindergartens.....	2,000
Supplies for play and games, lower grades.....	1,500
Cost of work for delivering supplies, including salary of teamster and assistants, use of two horses, wagon, and extra help.....	3,300
Tuition of Boston pupils in the schools of Brookline, Everett and Winthrop.....	2,000
Tuition of Boston wards boarding in sundry cities and towns of the State (see chapter 496, Acts of 1898).....	6,200
Car and ferry tickets, Horace Mann School (cost refunded by State).....	3,000
Car tickets for Truant Officers, Schoolhouse Custodian, Instructor of Military Drill, and pupils in special classes.....	3,000
Travelling expenses, officers and instructors.....	600
Materials for study of natural history, including stereopticon slides.....	300
Carriage hire and refreshments.....	100
Miscellaneous, including sewing materials, teaming, extra labor, postage, car and ferry tickets for messengers, badges for licensed minors, extra clerk hire, clay for modelling, and sundry items.....	3,630.18

Total for "Supplies and Incidentals" \$190,830.18

Under Chapter 357 of the Acts of 1907.

Appointment of Nurses.

1 Supervising Nurse.....	\$924.00
20 Assistant Nurses at \$696.....	13,920.00
10 Assistant Nurses at \$648.....	6,480.00
Supplies, etc.....	4,232.61

Total for Nurses.....\$25,556.61

Under Chapter 295, of the Acts of 1907.

Physical Education.

1 Director, Physical Training and Athletics.....	\$3,756
1 Assistant Director, Physical Training and Athletics.....	2,400
1 Assistant Director, Physical Training and Athletics.....	2,040
1 Instructor in Athletics.....	1,116
5 Special Instructors, Physical Training, at \$1,200.....	6,000
2 Special Instructors, Physical Training, at \$1,116.....	2,232
1 Special Instructor, Physical Training.....	972
3 Special Assistant Instructors, Physical Training, at \$900.....	2,700
1 Special Assistant Instructor, Physical Training.....	684
Additional instructors to be appointed for physical training, athletic sports, games, etc.....	21,000
Apparatus, equipment, etc., physical training and gymnastics.....	8,837.36

Military Drill.

1 Instructor.....	2,004
1 Armorer.....	1,050
Guns, swords, belts, etc.....	2,000
	\$56,791.36
Balance of appropriation unexpended.....	\$5,678.15
Additional amount to be appropriated.....	51,113.21
	56,791.36

Schoolhouse Department.

Repairs and alterations of school buildings.....	\$319,500
Rents of hired school accommodations.....	14,000

Total for Schoolhouse Department.....\$333,500
Placed on file.

Mr. Brock offered the following:
ORDERED, That to meet current expenses of the School Committee and provide funds for repairs and alterations of school buildings and for rents of hired school accommodations during the financial year beginning February 1, 1908, and ending January 31, 1909, the following sums be appropriated for the purposes stated:

Salaries of instructors.....	\$2,866,000.00
Salaries of officers.....	105,000.00
Salaries of janitors.....	237,000.00
Fuel and light.....	153,000.00
Supplies and incidentals.....	190,830.18
Physical Education.....	51,113.21
Appointment of Nurses.....	25,556.61
Repairs and alterations of school buildings	319,500.00
Rents of hired school accommodations	14,000.00

Total amount appropriated.....\$3,962,000.00

The order passed by the following vote:—
Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow—4.
Absent—Mr. Ellis—1.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 139, paragraph XI. Special. Insert before the words "industrial assistant" in the first paragraph the words:—Industrial instructors and. Add the following to the second paragraph:—For industrial instructors in household science; graduation from a college or university approved by the board of superintendents and evidence of one year's successful experience in teaching classes in household science and arts. For industrial instructors in dressmaking and millinery; either a diploma from an institution giving approved courses in industrial training and two years' successful experience in teaching industrial subjects, or four years' trade experience, a satisfactory portion of which shall include experience in teaching. So that paragraph XI. will read as follows:—

XI. Special: To directors, assistant directors, supervisors, and teachers of special studies, and of special schools, to industrial instructors and industrial assistants of day high schools, and to special assistants of day high schools.

The requirements for this certificate are: For directors, assistant directors and supervisors; such as the board of superintendents may determine. For certificates in special studies valid in day high schools; evidence of three years' successful experience in teaching and governing schools of such grade or grades as the board of superintendents may determine. For special certificates valid in other schools, for industrial assistants of day high schools, and for special assistants of day high schools; evidence of one year's successful experience in teaching and governing schools of such grade or grades as the board of superintendents may determine, or graduation from the Boston Normal School and completion of special course therein. For industrial instructors in household science; graduation from a college or university approved by the Board of Superintendents, and evidence of one year's successful experience in teaching classes in household science and arts. For industrial instructors in dressmaking and millinery; either a diploma from an institution giving approved courses in industrial training and two years' successful experience in teaching industrial subjects, or four years' trade experience, a satisfactory portion of which shall include experience in teaching.

The special assistant certificate in day high schools includes the special assistant certificate in evening high schools.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 291, paragraph 6. Insert in the fifth line after the words "assistant instructors" the words:—industrial instructors. Insert in the fourteenth line after the word "assistants" the words:—industrial instructors. Insert in the sixteenth line after the words "assistant instructors" the

words:—industrial instructors. Insert in the eighteenth line after the word "that" the words:—industrial instructors or. So that the paragraph will read as follows:—

6. In the Girls' High School of Practical Arts, the subordinate teachers shall consist of one master, or junior-master, who shall be head of a department; first assistants, who shall be heads of departments; assistants, assistant instructors. Industrial instructors, and industrial assistants. In addition to the principal and master there shall be one first assistant for the first two hundred forty-five pupils belonging, and one additional first assistant for every seventy pupils additional thereto until the maximum number of four first assistants is reached; one assistant instructor for the first three hundred fifty pupils belonging, and one additional assistant instructor for every one hundred forty pupils additional thereto; and a sufficient number of assistants, industrial instructors, and industrial assistants to make the entire quota of master, first assistants, assistants, assistant instructors, industrial instructors, and industrial assistants equal to one for every thirty-five pupils; provided, that industrial instructors or industrial assistants may be substituted for teachers of higher rank at the discretion of the superintendent.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the doors were opened, and the Board took a recess until 8.45 o'clock P.M.

The members of the Board, except Messrs. Ellis and Storrow, reassembled in the School Committee Chamber at 8.55 o'clock P.M., Mr. Brock presiding.

ADDITIONAL KINDERGARTEN, OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES DISTRICT.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That an additional kindergarten be established in the Oliver Wendell Holmes District, to be located in the Old Christopher Gibson Building, to date from Apr. 13, 1908.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to make the necessary transfer of furniture and fit up a room in the Old Christopher Gibson Building in the Oliver Wendell Holmes District, for the use of a kindergarten; said room to be ready for occupancy on Apr. 13, 1908.

ANNUAL MEETING, DEPARTMENT OF SUPERINTENDENCE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents be allowed to attend the annual meeting of the Department of Superintendence to be held in Washington, D. C., on Feb. 24, 25, and 26, 1908, the expense to the city not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the page at the beginning of the rules and regulations, defining the terms used therein, be amended as follows: Strike out the paragraphs relating to teachers, to elementary schools and elementary evening schools and insert the following in place thereof:

Teachers:—This term includes principals

of schools or districts and other persons employed to give instruction who are not members of the supervising staff.

Supervising Staff:—This term includes directors, assistant directors, assistants to directors, supervisors, medical inspectors, supervising nurse, assistant nurses, instructors and assistant instructors in athletics, and instructor of military drill.

Classification of Schools and Teachers:—The schools, and teachers employed therein are divided into groups and classes as indicated in the following schedule:

GROUPS.	CLASSES.
Elementary	{ Kindergartens. Elementary Cookery Manual Training Sewing
Secondary	{ Normal High and Latin
Evening	{ High Elementary Drawing
Laid over.	

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 37. Add the following paragraph:
2. He shall certify to the business agent as to the validity of certificates of qualification held by persons appointed to serve as teachers in the public schools.
Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 132. Add the following paragraph:
3. It shall decide the award of Franklin medals.
Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:

Section 134. Strike out the word "reference" in the second line, and add a paragraph to be numbered 2, so that the section will read as follows:—

Sect. 134. 1. Every proposition for the introduction or discontinuance of a text, or supplementary book, globe, map, or chart shall be reported upon in writing by the board of superintendents before it shall be acted upon by the Board.

2. The board of superintendents shall approve all books of reference purchased for use in the schools.
Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 220, paragraph 3. Add to the paragraph the following words: "Who shall certify that the books requested are properly authorized," so that the paragraph shall read as follows:—

3. Requisitions for books, supplies, and other material to be furnished from special funds, and requisitions for supplementary and reference books shall be approved by the assistant superintendent in charge of the school or district, who shall certify that the books requested are properly authorized.
Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Section 274, paragraph 3. Strike out the paragraph and insert in place thereof the following:—

3. No person shall receive any compensation for services as a teacher who has not been certified by the secretary to the business agent as holding a valid certificate of qualification of the proper grade.
Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Section 290, paragraph 1. Strike out the paragraph and insert in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 290. 1. Teachers in the Normal School shall consist of a principal holding the rank of head-master, masters, one of whom shall be director of the Model School, junior-masters, instructors, a supervisor of practice, first assistants, assistants, and assistant instructors.
Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Section 337, paragraph 4. Strike out the paragraph and insert in place thereof the following:—

4. Teachers promoted to a higher rank in schools of the same class shall not be required to pass additional promotional examinations because of such promotion, but shall remain subject to the requirements of the regulations with respect to such examination, and shall not be advanced in salary more than five times after their original appointment until they shall have passed successfully the second promotional examination.

Section 337. Add the following paragraph to be numbered 5:

5. Teachers promoted to schools of a different class shall be required to pass two promotional examinations, after said promotion, at the same times and under the same conditions as new teachers appointed to similar positions.

Section 337. Add the following paragraph to be numbered 6:

6. Teachers who, on entering the service, are placed on an advanced salary of their respective ranks, shall not be advanced in salary more than once until they shall have passed successfully the first promotional examination, nor be advanced in salary more than five times until they shall have passed successfully the second promotional examination; provided, that no teacher shall be placed upon the maximum salary of his rank until such time as he shall have successfully passed the second promotional examination.
Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 335. Strike out the section, and insert in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 335. All teachers, except principals and members of the supervising staff, holding permanent positions in the day school service, whose compensation is on a sliding scale with a fixed increase for each successive year of service, shall be paid at the rate established for the first year of service, until the first of January or the first of September next following the first anniversary of the beginning of their service. The advance to the second year of the salary schedule and all subsequent advances, if any, shall be made upon the first of January or the first of September respectively.

Section 336, paragraph 2. Strike out the paragraph and insert in place thereof the following:—

2. All teachers, except principals and members of the supervising staff, whose compensation is on a sliding scale with a fixed increase for each successive year of service, must take the promotional examination next following the second anniversary of the date on which they began service; provided, that teachers who are appointed between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31 in any year may take the examination occurring in October of the second year thereafter.
Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Section 297, paragraph 4. Strike out the paragraph and insert in place thereof the following:—

4. Principals and first assistants of vacation schools, supervisors of playgrounds and playground teachers, must hold certificates of qualification, elementary school, class B, or a higher certificate. Assistants in vacation schools must hold a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class B, or a kindergarten certificate, or a special certificate. The provisions of this paragraph shall not operate to prevent the reappointment to position of equal rank in subsequent years of persons employed in vacation schools during and before the year 1906.

Section 300. Strike out the section, and renumber section 301 and the remaining sections of the same chapter to follow consecutively.

Section 303, to be renumbered section 304. Strike out the section and insert in place thereof the following:—

1. There shall be a director of school hygiene, three assistant directors, as many special instructors in physical training, special assistant instructors in physical training, instructors in athletics and assistant instructors in athletics, supervisors of playgrounds, playground teachers, heads of playgrounds, helpers in playgrounds, and helpers in sand gardens, as the Board may from time to time authorize.

2. There shall be a supervising nurse, and as many assistant nurses as the Board may from time to time authorize.

3. There shall be an instructor of military drill and an armorer.

4. There shall be a medical inspector of special classes.

Section 413. Strike out the section.

Section 418, paragraph 1. Strike out the paragraph and insert in place thereof the following:—

1. The director of school hygiene shall have general supervision and control of all matters affecting the physical welfare of pupils and teachers; of medical inspection, except that under the control of the Board of Health; of school nursing; of physical training, military drill, athletics, sports, games, and play engaged in by the pupils or conducted in buildings, yards and grounds under the control of the Board, or in other buildings, yards and grounds that it may have the right to use for such purposes.

Section 419. Strike out the section and insert in place thereof the following:—

1. Assistant directors of school hygiene, special instructors in physical training, special assistant instructors in physical training, instructors in athletics, assistant instructors in athletics, supervisors of playgrounds, playground teachers, helpers in playgrounds, and helpers in sand gardens, shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them by the director of school hygiene.

2. The assistant directors of school hygiene shall be entitled to four weeks' vacation in each calendar year, to be taken at such time or times as the director of school hygiene may appoint.

Section 420. Strike out the section and insert in place thereof the following:—

1. The supervising nurse shall, under the direction of the director of school hygiene, have general supervision of the assistant nurses, be responsible for the efficiency and character of the service rendered by each nurse, and perform such additional duties as the director of school hygiene may appoint.

2. She shall determine, subject to the approval of the director of school hygiene, the hours of service to be rendered on school days and on Saturdays and during vacation by the assistant nurses.

3. She shall inspect the work of the as-

sistant nurses, instruct them in their duties, and see that the time spent in each district by the nurse assigned thereto is regularly recorded.

4. She shall make requisition for the necessary supplies for each nurse.

5. She shall make such reports as may be required by the superintendent.

6. She shall be entitled to four weeks' vacation during each calendar year, to be taken at such time or times as the director of school hygiene may appoint.

Section 421, paragraph 14. Strike out the paragraph and insert in place thereof the following:—

14. Each assistant nurse shall be entitled to four weeks' vacation during each calendar year, to be taken at such time or times as the supervising nurse, with the approval of the director of school hygiene, may appoint.

Section 422. Strike out the section and insert in place thereof the following:—

Section 422. 1. The instructor of military drill shall, under the direction of the director of school hygiene, have charge of instruction in military drill.

2. He shall make such reports as may be required by the superintendent.

3. The armorer shall, under the direction of the instructor of military drill, have general charge of the military equipment provided for the schools.

Add the following section to be numbered 423:

Section 423. 1. The medical inspector of special classes shall perform such duties in connection therewith as may be assigned to him by the director of school hygiene.

2. He shall make such reports as the superintendent may require.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 416. Strike out the word "elementary" from the third line thereof, so that the section will read as follows:—

Section 416. The supervisor of household science and arts shall have general supervision of sewing and cooking in the schools, and teach such classes in the Normal and high schools as the superintendent may direct.

Laid over.

RANKS AND SALARIES OF DIRECTOR AND ASSISTANT DIRECTORS OF HYGIENE.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That beginning with Mar. 15, 1908, the rank of Thomas F. Harrington, director of physical training and athletics, be made that of director of school hygiene, and that he be continued upon the present salary of his rank.

Laid over.

ORDERED, That beginning with Mar. 15, 1908, the rank of Nathaniel J. Young, assistant director of physical training and athletics, be made that of assistant director of school hygiene, and that he be continued upon the maximum salary of his rank.

Laid over.

ORDERED, That beginning with Mar. 15, 1908, the rank of Gordon Trowbridge, assistant director of physical training and athletics, be made that of assistant director of school hygiene; that he be continued on his present salary until the end of the current school year; and that he then continue to advance until his maximum is reached.

Laid over.

ORDERED, That from and after Mar. 15, 1908, the salaries of the director and as-

sistant directors of school hygiene be fixed for the year ending Aug. 31, 1908, as follows: Director, \$3756; assistant directors, first year, \$1800, annual increase \$120, maximum \$2400.

Laid over.

AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS FOR SCHOOL CADETS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the regulations for the Boston School Cadets be amended as follows:—

Section 15. Add the following paragraph: Cadet officers visiting another school for any purpose are reminded that they are the guests of the headmaster or other teacher in charge, as well as of the officers of the school companies.

Section 16. Add the following paragraph: No company shall be eligible for competition at the annual prize drill which has added outside drilling to that of the regular school periods.

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE, DEPARTMENT OF DRAWING AND MANUAL TRAINING.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, stating the desirability of authorizing the appointment of an additional clerk, who shall give approximately one-half time to the regular correspondence of the Department of Drawing and Manual Training, and one-half time to the work of distributing the supplies of that Department, and recommending the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That for the purpose of providing additional assistance to the Department of Drawing and Manual Training the employment of an additional clerk in the offices of the School Committee is hereby authorized, the time, services, and compensation of such clerk to be divided between the offices of the Superintendent and of the Business Agent.

Placed on file, and the order passed.

ART EXHIBITIONS BY TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Twentieth Century Club is hereby granted permission to hold art exhibitions during March and April of the current year in such schools as the Superintendent shall approve; provided, that said Club assumes the cost of such additional heat, light and janitor service as may be required in connection with such exhibitions; and provided further, that the School Committee assumes no responsibility for loss or damage occurring to any paintings or other articles thus exhibited.

EXTENSION OF EVENING SCHOOL TERM FOR FOREIGN-BORN PUPILS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, transmitting a recommendation from the Director of Evening and Vacation Schools, that classes for the instruction of foreign-born pupils in English be continued after the close of the regular evening school term.

Laid on the table.

PLAYGROUND, YARD OF GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, in response to an order of the Common Council, referred to him for consideration

and report on Jan. 27, that the enclosed yard of the Girls' High School be used as a children's playground between the hours of 3 P.M. and 7 P.M. on school days and all day on Saturdays, stating that there is under consideration a proposition that this land be used for the purpose of erecting gymnasium accommodations for girls in the Girls' High School-house. If such use is not made of this property, the Superintendent is of the opinion that the yard should be graded and reserved for the use of the pupils of said school for tennis, basketball, handball and other games.

Placed on file and a copy thereof ordered to be transmitted to the Common Council.

CLERICAL AND SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, NORMAL AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, in response to the reference to him on Jan. 27 of a communication from the headmaster of the Normal School, requesting that the salary of the clerical assistant in that school be fixed at the rate of \$720 per annum, stating that this matter, as well as the salaries of special assistants in high schools, was referred by him to the Board of Superintendents for consideration. That Board has given careful attention to both questions, and submits as a remedy for existing conditions, the following plan, which the Superintendent approves:

That the Superintendent be authorized to appoint, in his discretion, either a clerk or a special assistant for each of the several Normal, high and Latin schools.

That the compensation of clerks be established at the following rate:—

First year \$600, annual increase \$60, maximum \$840.

That appointments of clerks as aforesaid be made from the regular civil service lists.

That the compensation of special assistants be established at the following rate:—

First year \$600, annual increase \$72, maximum \$960.

That the clerk now employed in the Normal School be placed upon the second year of service in the new schedule to date from Sept. 1, 1908.

Laid on the table.

The Superintendent offered the following: ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Section 230. Add the following paragraph: 3. In the Normal School one clerk or one special assistant may be appointed.

Laid on the table.

The Superintendent offered the following: ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Section 291, paragraph 10. Strike out the final item of said paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:

In each high and Latin school one clerk or one special assistant may be appointed.

Laid on the table.

SPECIAL CERTIFICATES FOR NORMAL GRADUATES.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents under date of Feb. 17, recommending that it be given authority to issue to college graduates who, from 1900 to 1904, inclusive, satisfactorily completed the regular course in the Normal School, the Normal, Elementary School, Special certificate, upon fulfillment of the conditions required for the issue of similar certificates in accordance with amendments to the rules adopted in 1905.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the Board of Superintendents be authorized to issue the Normal, Elementary School, Special certificate to

graduates of the Normal School, between the years 1900 and 1904, inclusive, who completed the regular course of study, and who at the time of admission were graduates of a college or university approved by the Board of Superintendents, upon the fulfillment of the required conditions.

CARE OF TEETH, SCHOOL CHILDREN.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Feb. 10, 1908, to whom was referred on Jan. 3, a communication from Paul G. White, D. M. D., requesting that he be allowed to deliver a lecture in a high school building on the care of teeth of school children, and presenting a petition from Edward W. Branigan and others for the appointment of a lecturer or lecturers on oral hygiene in the public schools, stating that the Board heartily appreciates the desirability of inculcating habits of dental cleanliness among school children, and that much attention is given to the subject by many teachers. The Board of Superintendents believes that this is a matter which should properly engage the attention of the Department of Physical Training and Athletics, and recommends that it be referred to that department to consider means and methods for making instruction along these lines more effective.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

AMENDMENT OF ELIGIBLE LIST.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Feb. 10, 1908, reporting the amendment of School Document No. 9, 1907, Second List of Candidates Eligible for Appointment as Teachers, as follows:—

Page 24, Elementary Certificates, Examined Candidates, Class B (763)—Roger, A. Powers, name removed by request.

Placed on file.

INDUSTRIAL INSTRUCTORS, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL OF PRACTICAL ARTS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Feb. 10, 1908, recommending the establishment of the rank of industrial instructors in the Girls' High School of Practical Arts; that the salary attached to the rank be established at the following rate: First year, \$1020; annual increase \$72, maximum \$1236; and defining the requirements for the holders of such certificates.

Placed on file.

(See previous action at this meeting amending regulations to conform to above recommendation.)

Dr. Scannell offered the following:

ORDERED, That the salary of industrial instructors in the Girls' High School of Practical Arts be fixed at the following rate for the year ending August 31, 1908:

First year \$1020, annual increase \$72, maximum \$1236.

Laid on the table.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OF IMMIGRANT CHILDREN.

A communication was received from the Secretary, reporting the result of his investigation with regard to the school attendance of immigrant children arriving at and remaining in Boston during the period from July 1, 1907, to Jan. 1, 1908, as directed in an order passed by the Board on Jan. 6.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS OF JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, transmitting the resignations of George W. Collings, janitor of Appleton-street Portable School-house No. 27, and of Thomas F. Durkin, janitor of the Rice Portable School-house No. 4, to date from Feb. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and the resignations accepted.

JANITORSHIP OF THE OLD GIBSON SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, recommending that the vacancy in the janitorship of the Old Gibson School-house be filled by the appointment of Winthrop B. Robinson, janitor of the Oliver Wendell Holmes School-house, which is located on the same lot, to date from Feb. 6, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the appointment of Winthrop B. Robinson to said position was approved, to date from Feb. 6, 1908.

JANITORSHIP, CHARLESTOWN EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, recommending that Joseph H. Butt, regular janitor of the Old City Hall, Charlestown, be appointed to the vacancy in the janitorship of the Charlestown Evening Drawing School, located in the same building.

Placed on file, and the appointment of Joseph H. Butt approved, to date from Feb. 10, 1908.

JANITORSHIP, BAILEY-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Bailey-street School and Portable Buildings No. 70 and 84, and recommending the transfer thereto of John Walsh, janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to date from Mar. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of John Walsh to said position was approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Horace Mann School-house, and recommending the transfer of Michael Glasheen, janitor of the Harvard Hill School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to date from Mar. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the transfer of Michael Glasheen to said position was approved from the date stated.

SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, stating that, in his opinion, and after due trial, he does not recommend the appointment of William Weir, who had been certified for the position of substitute janitor, and suggesting that, as there are no applicants on the Civil Service list holding a second-class engineer's license or better, who desire appointment to this position, the Commission be requested to cer-

tify other applicants holding a third-class engineer's license or better.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

COOK SCHOOL-HOUSE BROKEN INTO.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, reporting that on Monday evening, Feb. 10, 1908, the Cook School-house on Groton street was broken into, several minor articles stolen, and that the Police Department has apprehended the boys who committed the act, and has cited them into court.

Placed on file.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for a period of ten days or less, and the amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Bailey-street School-house and Portables Nos. 70 and 84—Edward Powers appointed for ten days or less; appointment to date from Feb. 6, 1908. Amount due for services rendered Feb. 6 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$20.67. Reappointed from Feb. 16, 1908.

Benjamin Cushing School-house—Willard Hawes appointed acting janitor for ten days or less; appointment to date from Jan. 27, 1908. Amount due for services rendered Jan. 27 to Feb. 5, 1908, inc., \$23.00.

Bowdoin School-house—Thomas Landrigan, assistant janitor at \$60 per month. Amount due for services rendered Jan. 30 to Feb. 8, 1908, inclusive, \$20. Reappointed from Feb. 9, 1908.

Alexander Summers, assistant janitor at \$50 per month. Amount due for services rendered Jan. 30 to Feb. 5, 1908, inclusive, \$11.67.

William Jones, sweeper at \$40 per month, appointed for ten days or less; appointment to date from Feb. 6, 1908. Amount due for services rendered Feb. 6 to 15, inclusive, \$13.33. Reappointed from Feb. 16, 1908.

Thomas Murnane, assistant janitor at \$50 per month, appointed for ten days or less; appointment to date from Feb. 6, 1908. Amount due for services rendered Feb. 6 to 13, 1908, inclusive, \$13.33.

William Sennott, assistant janitor at \$50 per month, appointed for ten days or less; appointment to date from Feb. 13, 1908.

Charlestown Evening Drawing School—Joseph H. Butt, appointed for ten days or less; appointment to date from Feb. 10, 1908.

Chestnut-ave. and Portable No. 9 School-houses—Charles Totten, appointed for ten days or less; appointment to date from Feb. 1, 1908. Amount due for services Feb. 1 to 10, inclusive, \$13. Reappointed from Feb. 11, 1908.

Clinch and Portable 25 and Shurtleff Portable 72 School-houses—Amount due William Conway for services rendered as acting janitor Jan. 27 to Feb. 5, 1908, inclusive, \$22.33.

Horace Mann School-house—William Sennott appointed for a period of ten days or less; appointment to date from Feb. 5, 1908. Amount due for services Feb. 5 to 13, 1908, inclusive, \$19.80; Henry L. Wildes appointed for ten days or less; appointment to date from Feb. 14, 1908.

Old Gibson School-house—Winthrop B. Robinson, acting janitor, appointed for ten days or less; appointment to date from Feb. 6, 1908.

Stoughton School-house—Elijah B. Hallett, acting janitor. Amount due for services rendered Feb. 3 to 12, 1908, inclusive, \$18.00. Reappointed from Feb. 13, 1908.

Walnut-street School-house—Edward Pow-

ers, acting janitor. Amount due for services Jan. 27 to Feb. 3, 1908, inclusive, \$14.13.

The communication was placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:

To William Conway, Clinch and Portable No. 25 and Shurtleff Portable No. 72 School-houses, from Jan. 27 to Feb. 5, 1908, inclusive, twenty-two and 33-100 dollars (\$22.33).

To Elijah B. Hallett, Stoughton School-house, from Feb. 3 to 12, 1908, inclusive, eighteen dollars (\$18).

To Willard Hawes, Benjamin Cushing School-house, from Jan. 27 to Feb. 5, 1908, inclusive, twenty-three dollars (\$23).

To William Jones, Bowdoin School-house, from Feb. 6 to 15, 1908, inclusive, thirteen and 33-100 dollars (\$13.33).

To Thomas Landrigan, Bowdoin School-house, from Jan. 30 to Feb. 8, 1908, inclusive, twenty dollars (\$20).

To Thomas Murnane, Bowdoin School-house, from Feb. 6 to 13, inclusive, thirteen and 33-100 dollars (\$13.33).

To Edward Powers, Walnut-street School-house, from Jan. 27 to Feb. 3, 1908, inclusive, fourteen and 13-100 dollars (\$14.13); Bailey-street and Portable Nos. 70 and 84 School-houses, from Feb. 6 to 15, inclusive, twenty and 67-100 dollars (\$20.67).

To William Sennott, Horace Mann School-house, from Feb. 5 to 13, 1908, inclusive, nineteen and 80-100 dollars (\$19.80).

To Alexander Summers, Bowdoin School-house, from Jan. 30 to Feb. 5, 1908, inclusive, eleven and 67-100 dollars (\$11.67).

To Charles Totten, Chestnut-avenue and Portable No. 9 School-houses, from Feb. 1 to 10, 1908, inclusive, thirteen dollars (\$13).

JANITORSHIP, PARKMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Parkman School-house, he had appointed, for a period of ten days or less, William J. Flemming, to date from Feb. 10, 1908.

Placed on file.

PAYMENT TO WILLIAM J. FLEMMING.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 20, 1908, recommending that there be paid to William J. Flemming, the sum of \$18.33 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Parkman School-house, from Feb. 10 to 19, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William J. Flemming the sum of eighteen and 33-100 dollars (\$18.33) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Parkman School-house from Feb. 10 to 19, 1908, inclusive.

PAYMENT TO DANIEL TYNAN.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 20, 1908, recommending the payment to Daniel Tynan for janitor services rendered at the temporary school in the ward room, Ward 7, from Jan. 2 to 29, 1908, inclusive, of the sum of \$40, being at the rate of \$2 per day.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Daniel Tynan for janitor service rendered at the

temporary school in the ward room, Ward 7, from Jan. 2 to 29, 1908, inclusive, the sum of forty dollars (\$40).

COAL SUPPLY IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS, FEBRUARY 1, 1908.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, in response to the order passed by the Board on Jan. 21, submitting a statement of the estimated amount of coal on hand in the several school buildings on Feb. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

EXTENSION TELEPHONE BELL, WILLIAM E. RUSSELL SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Edwin T. Horne, principal of the William E. Russell District, under date of Feb. 12, 1908, requesting that the Board authorize the placing of an extension telephone bell in said school.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for an extension bell in the William E. Russell School-house.

GAELIC LANGUAGE, EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Boston Gaelic School Society, under date of Feb. 5, 1908, expressing the thanks of the Society to the Board for its thoughtfulness and consideration in placing the language, literature and history of Ireland upon the program of the evening high schools.

Placed on file.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR CLASS IN ESPERANTO, CENTRAL EVENING HIGH SCHOOL.

A petition was received from E. J. Paul and others, representing the Students' Esperanto Union, for the use of a room in a building occupied by an evening school for the accommodation of a class engaged in the study of Esperanto.

The petition was placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the petitioners were granted the use of a room in the Central Evening High School-house for the purpose stated in the petition, until the close of the current term of the evening schools.

PRIMARY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, LESSONS IN NEW METHOD OF TEACHING ARITHMETIC.

A communication was received from the Boston Primary Teachers' Association, under date of Feb. 15, 1908, expressing to

the Board the thanks of the members of said Association for the lessons now being given in the new method of teaching arithmetic, and their appreciation of the generosity which has made it possible for them to receive such instruction.

Placed on file.

USE OF SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE ON EVACUATION DAY.

An application was received from the South Boston Citizens' Association for the use of the South Boston High School-house on Evacuation Day for the annual exercises conducted under the auspices of that Association.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That the Evacuation Day Committee of the South Boston Citizens' Association be granted the use of the South Boston High School-house on March 17, 1908, for the annual Evacuation Day oration and exercises under the auspices of said association.

PETITION, WINTHROP SCHOOL ASSOCIATION, NAMING OF SCHOOL FOR ROBERT SWAN.

A petition was received from the Winthrop School Association under date of Feb. 19, 1908, that the school building, now in process of erection or about to be erected in the Edward Everett District, Dorchester, be named the Robert Swan School in honor of the former master of the Winthrop School.

Laid on the table.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The Board went into executive session. The doors were opened.

JANITORSHIP, BOWDOIN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian received and laid over at the meeting of Feb. 3, 1908, relative to the appointment of a janitor to fill the vacancy existing in the position of janitor in the Bowdoin School-house was taken from the table and placed on file.

The transfer of Denis J. Wilson, janitor of the Harris and Little Em'ly School-houses, the applicant standing at the head of the list, to the aforesaid vacancy, was approved to date from Feb. 22, 1908.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 10:35 o'clock P.M.
Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Mar. 2, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members, except Mr. Magenis.

AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the minutes of the meetings of Feb. 17 and 20.

On motion of the Superintendent, the minutes of Feb. 20 were amended on page 37, first column, twenty-fifth line, to read:—Section 303, to be renumbered section 302, instead of "Section 303, to be renumbered section 304," as printed.

The reading of the records of said meetings was omitted, the Board approving them as printed as amended.

WITHDRAWAL OF AN APPOINTMENT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, withdrawing the appointment on probation of Sadie W. Jenkins as assistant in charge of a disciplinary class in the Rice District, to date from Mar. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting, with the exception of the appointment of Sadie W. Jenkins, as assistant in charge of a disciplinary class in the Rice District.

The appointments, with the foregoing exception, were approved.

DIRECTOR OF EVENING AND VACATION SCHOOLS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointment on probation of Maurice J. O'Brien as Director of Evening and Vacation Schools, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointment was approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Scannell and Storrow.

Absent—Messrs. Ellis and Magenis.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire From the Service.)

Girls' High School—Cora J. Ball, special assistant instructor of commercial branches, Mar. 6, 1908.

Accepted.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Lincoln District—Sheba E. Berry, assistant, Feb. 10, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Martin District—Frances G. Dixon, from Jan. 2, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Gertrude Stahl, from Mar. 3 to 16, 1908, inclusive.

Rice District—Katherine C. Brady, from Mar. 2 to 16, 1908, inclusive.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Margaret R. Kenneally, assistant, from Mar. 2, 1908.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Dorchester High School—Elizabeth H. Norman, assistant instructor, from Mar. 2, 1908.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Phillips Brooks District—Gertrude Stahl, assistant, from Mar. 17, 1908.

Rice District—Katherine C. Brady, assistant, from Mar. 17, 1908.

Laid over.

TRANSFERS.

Chapman District—Margaret M. A. Kennedy, assistant, to the same position in the Martin District, from Mar. 9, 1908.

Martin District—Alice F. Connell, assistant, to the same position in the Prescott District, from Mar. 9, 1908.

Prescott District—Annie C. Forbes, assistant, to the same position in the Thomas Gardner District, from Mar. 1, 1908.

Thomas Gardner District—Marguerite L. Lillis, assistant, to the same position in the Lewis District, from Mar. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Brimmer District—(Warrenton-street Kindergarten), Daisie Slocumb, from Mar. 3, 1908.

Quincy District—(Tyler-street Kindergarten), Sarah E. Boynton, from Feb. 3, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Charlestown High School—Jennie V. Richardson, special assistant instructor of commercial branches, from Feb. 24 until Apr. 3, 1908.

High School of Commerce—Lyman G. Smith, junior-master, Feb. 7, 1908, one day.

Bennett District—Annie R. Cox, assistant, from Mar. 2 until May 4, 1908.

Bigelow District—Susan H. Lynch, assistant, Feb. 13, 1908, one-half day.

Bowditch District—Martha T. Howes, assistant, from Mar. 11 until Apr. 1, 1908.

Bunker Hill District—Mary E. Minter, assistant, from Mar. 1 until June 1, 1908.

Dearborn District—Kate A. Nason, assistant, from Jan. 27 until Mar. 16, 1908.

Dillaway District—Carolena C. Richards, assistant, from Feb. 3 to 28, 1908.

Eliot District—Mary E. Hartnett, assistant, from Feb. 17 to 21, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Emerson District—Isabel J. Ross, assistant, Feb. 27, 1908, one-half day.

Everett District—Ethel M. Rowland, assistant, from Feb. 18 to 21, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Franklin District—Ruth D. Stevens, assistant, from Feb. 3 to 7, 1908, three and one-half days.

Hancock District—Mary A. Kirby, assistant, Feb. 24, 1908, one day; Katharine M. Crowley, Bertha V. Martin, assistants, kindergarten, Feb. 17, 1908, one day.

Henry L. Pierce District—Elizabeth R. Brady, assistant, Feb. 28, 1908, one-half day.

Lewis District—Emily I. Boardman, assistant, Feb. 17, 18 and 19, 1908, three days; Katherine V. Breen, assistant, Feb. 13, 1908, one day.

Longfellow District—Helen M. Fogarty, assistant, Feb. 28, 1908, one day.

Mather District—Mary E. O'Kane, assistant, Feb. 24, 1908, one-half day.

Minot District—Annie H. Gardner, assistant, from Feb. 6 until May 6, 1908.

Norcross District—Mary E. Downing, assistant, Feb. 24, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips District—Katharine A. Burns, first assistant in charge, Feb. 17, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips Brooks District—Matilda Mitchell, first assistant in charge, Feb. 20, 1908, one day.

Roger Wolcott District—Anna F. Maybury, assistant, Feb. 18, 1908, one day; Julia R. O'Brien, assistant, Feb. 17, 1908, one day.

Sherwin District—Rose E. Conaty, assistant, Feb. 18 and 25, 1908, two days.

Washington District—Theresa A. Dacey, assistant, Feb. 19, 1908, one-half day.

Manual Training—Josephine May, assistant instructor, Feb. 19 to 24, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Music—Blanche Tibbits, assistant, Feb. 24, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to the following-named teacher, from Mar. 4 until Apr. 4, 1908:—

Gaston District—Juliette R. Hayward, master's assistant.

Subsequently, on the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers, without loss of pay, for the terms specified:—

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—W. Hollis Godfrey, from Feb. 24 to 28, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Eliot District—B. Louise Hagerty, first assistant, primary school, Jan. 29, 1908, one-half day.

Emerson District—J. Willard Brown, master, Feb. 11 and 12, 1908, one and one-quarter days.

Drawing and Manual Training—Frank M. Leavitt, assistant director, Feb. 26, 27, and 28, 1908, three days.

Physical Training and Athletics—Thomas F. Harrington, director, Feb. 24 to 28, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Subsequently, on the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted the following-named teacher, without pay, from Apr. 1 until Sept. 1, 1908:—

Bowditch District—Martha T. Howes, assistant.

Subsequently, on the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted the following-named teacher, on half-pay from Feb. 4, 1908, until Feb. 4, 1909, and without pay from Feb. 4, 1909, until Sept. 1, 1909, and her resignation accepted to take effect on the latter date:—

Bennett District—Emma P. Dana, assistant.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That such kindergarten teachers as may be designated by the Superintendent be granted leave of absence not to exceed five days, without loss of pay, for the purpose of attending the annual meeting of the International Kindergarten Union, to be held in New Orleans, La., from Mar. 30, 1908, to Apr. 4, 1908.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to grant leave of absence, without loss of pay, to those teachers of manual training who may desire to attend the meeting of the Eastern Manual Training Association, to be held in Washington, D. C., on Apr. 14, 15 and 16, 1908.

DESIGNATION OF AN ASSISTANT TO TAKE CHARGE OF A DISCIPLINARY CLASS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, reporting that he had designated Sadie W. Jenkins, an assistant in the Rice District, to take charge of the disciplinary class in that district, to date from Mar. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of fifty-two minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of two to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

EXTENSION OF SERVICE, EVENING SCHOOL TEACHERS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That during the remainder of the current term of the evening schools the Superintendent may, when the best interests of any school demands such action, extend the service of any evening school teacher who would be dismissed at the close of the week in which the number of pupils falls below the required quota.

SEPARATE DISTRICT, FRANCIS PARKMAN SCHOOL.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, with reference to the communication from Charles J. Lennon, Chairman of the Mt. Hope Citizens' Association, requesting that the Francis Parkman School be set apart and made a separate and independent school district, referred at the meeting of Jan. 21, substantially as follows:—

That on June 10, 1907, he had submitted a report in which he stated his opinion that it seemed inadvisable to make this school a separate district until at least the addition thereto had been completed. As this addition is now nearing completion, he deems it desirable that this section of the city be set apart as a separate and independent school district, to date from Sept. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

ART EXHIBITIONS BY TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, with reference to the order passed at the meeting of Feb. 20, granting permission to the Twentieth Century Club to hold art exhibitions during March and April of the current year in such schools as the Superintendent may approve, reporting that

arrangements have been made to hold an exhibition in the hall of the Hancock School, to be opened either on Apr. 10 or 11, and to be continued for four weeks, bringing its close up to May 1. The Twentieth Century Club will procure an insurance policy to cover all risks, and will pay for the necessary heating and lighting.

Placed on file.

CUSTODY OF RECORDS AND TEXT-BOOKS USED IN OLD WASHINGTON SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, with respect to the communication from the Roxbury Historical Society, requesting the loan or custody of the records and text-books used in the Old Washington School, referred at the meeting of Jan. 20, stating that he had referred the matter to the Board of Superintendents, which Board has given careful consideration to the proposition and is of the opinion that there is no objection to transferring to said society such of the text-books referred to as may be desired, but believes that all of the records of the school should remain in the possession of the School Committee. He therefore recommends that the Roxbury Historical Society become the custodian of such of the texts now stored in the Dudley School-house as they may desire, and that the records remain in the possession of the School Committee.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

DIRECTOR OF MODEL SCHOOL TO ACT AS PRINCIPAL OF MARTIN DISTRICT.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Director of the Model School is hereby authorized to act as principal of the Martin District and to perform in the schools of that district all the duties required from the principal of an elementary school.

EXTENSION OF PHYSICAL TRAINING AND EXERCISES.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Apr. 29, 1907, requesting that Board to formulate and report a plan for the development and administration of physical training and exercises, athletics, sports, games and play in the buildings, yards and playgrounds, under the control of the School Committee, or upon any other land which it may have the right to use for this purpose, submitting a proposed plan of organization for such activities.

Laid on the table.

PURCHASE OF BOOKS, GLOBES, MAPS AND CHARTS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Feb. 17, 1908, with reference to the order passed at the meeting of Jan. 14, requesting that Board to designate all cases on the authorized list where books, globes, maps and charts have two or more equivalents, to the end that the Auditor may purchase one article of any class, instead of two or more, if he finds that money may be saved by so doing, substantially as follows: That the Board finds it impracticable to designate equivalents for text-books, globes, maps and charts, but favors an open list of texts, believing for reasons stated that an approach to uniformity would prove detrimental; that pens are purchased from three makers, viz., Gillott, Esterbrook, and the Eagle Company, and recommending

that in the future the purchase of the Gillott pens, which are the most expensive, be discontinued; that pencils are purchased from the Dixon Graphite Company, the Eagle Company, and the Faber Company, and that for equal grades of pencils there is no difference in the prices made by these companies. No change with respect to the purchase of pencils is recommended. With regard to supplementary books, there is material sufficiently near an equivalent to warrant the substitution of one for another, and certain substitutions of this kind will be included by the Board of Superintendents in its recommendations concerning text and supplementary books, which are to be presented later.

Placed on file.

TEXT AND SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, recommending changes in and additions to the authorized list of text and supplementary books.

Placed on file.

Mr. Brock offered the following thirteen orders:—

(1) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, the following-named books are hereby authorized for use as text-books in high and Latin schools:—

American History, by R. L. Ashley, published by the Macmillan Company.

History of the United States, by C. K. Adams and W. P. Trent, published by Allyn and Bacon.

Gregg Shorthand, by John Robert Gregg, published by The Gregg Publishing Company, Chicago.

Elements and Notations of Music, by James M. McLaughlin, published by Ginn & Company.

(2) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, the following-named books are hereby authorized for use as text-books in the High School of Commerce:—

A History of Commerce, by Clive Day, published by Longmans, Green & Co., third-year class.

The Economic History of the United States, by Ernest Ludlow Bogart, published by Longmans, Green & Co., fourth and fifth-year classes.

Commercial French, in two parts, by W. Mansfield Poole and Michel Becker, published by John Murray, London, third and fourth-year classes.

(3) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, the following-named books are hereby authorized for use as text-books in the elementary schools:—

The Aldine Primer, by Frank E. Spaulding and Catherine T. Bryce, published by Newson & Company, New York, Grade I.

The Aldine First Reader, by Frank E. Spaulding and Catherine T. Bryce, published by Newson & Company, New York, Grades I and II.

The Aldine Second Reader, by Frank E. Spaulding and Catherine T. Bryce, published by Newson & Company, New York, Grade II.

The Wide Awake Second Reader, by Clara Murray, published by Little, Brown & Company, Grade II.

Our Government, Local, State and National, by J. A. James and A. H. Sanford, published by Charles Scribner's Sons, not more than 50 copies to be furnished to a school.

(4) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, the following-named book is hereby authorized for use as a supplementary book in the high and Latin schools:—

Modern Age, by P. V. N. Myers, published by Ginn & Company.

(5) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, the following-named books are hereby authorized for use as supplementary books in the High School of Commerce:—

Industrial and Social History of England, by Edward P. Cheyney, published by The Macmillan Company, third-year class.

Money and Banking, Revised, by Horace White, published by Ginn & Company, fourth-year class.

American Railway Transportation, by Emory R. Johnson, revised edition, published by D. Appleton & Company, fourth-year class.

Logarithms of Numbers, by Andrew W. Phillips and Irving Fisher, published by the American Book Company.

Actual Government in the United States, by Albert Bushnell Hart, published by Longmans, Green & Co., fourth-year class.

(6) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, the following-named books are hereby authorized for use as supplementary books in the elementary schools:—

The Louisa Alcott Reader, by Louisa M. Alcott, published by Little, Brown & Company, Grade IV.

The Flag-Raising, by Kate Douglas Wiggin, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Grade VI.

(7) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, the following-named books are hereby authorized for use as supplementary books in the evening elementary schools:—

History and Government of the United States for Evening Schools, by W. E. Chancellor, published by the American Book Company.

A Civic Reader for New Americans, published by the American Book Company.

The Bailey-Manly Spelling Book, by Eliza R. Bailey and John M. Manly, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

Three Years with the Poets, by Bertha Hazard, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

(8) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, Chardenal's Complete French Course, revised and rewritten by Maro S. Brooks, published by Allyn and Bacon, is hereby authorized for use as a text-book in the high and Latin schools to take the place of the old edition of the same book as new books are needed.

(9) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, The Elements of Economics, by Charles Jesse Bullock, published by Silver, Burdett & Company, is hereby authorized for use as a text-book in the high and Latin schools, to take the place of Bullock's Introduction to the Study of Economics, as new books are needed.

(10) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Su-

perintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, German Grammar, by Paul Valentine Bacon, published by Allyn and Bacon, be authorized for use as a text-book in the high and Latin schools, to take the place of Lange's German Method for Beginners, being a revision of that book, as new books are needed.

(11) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, In the Golden East, by Charlotte Chaffee Gibson, published by Little, Brown and Company, be authorized for use as a supplementary book in the elementary schools. Grades VI. and VII., to take the place of In Eastern Wonderlands, by the same author, as new books are needed.

(12) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, An Elementary Commercial Geography, by Cyrus C. Adams, published by D. Appleton and Company, be transferred from the list of supplementary books in the elementary schools, to the list of text-books in the elementary schools, grades VII. and VIII.

(13) ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, Worcester's New Pronouncing Spelling Book, published by the American Book Company, now authorized for use as a text-book in grades IV., V., and VI., be also authorized for use as a text-book in grade VII.

Laid over.

TRANSFER OF JANITORS, PARKMAN AND STOUGHTON SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, relative to the transfer of the janitors of the Parkman and Stoughton School-houses to smaller buildings, ordered at the meeting of Feb. 20, recommending the following transfers:—

Henry Keenan, janitor of the Stoughton School-house, to the janitorship of the Adams-street and Portable No. 1 School-houses; Asa C. Hawes, the present janitor of the latter buildings, to the janitorship of the Stoughton School-house, to date from Mar. 4, 1908.

Alexander Nelson, janitor of the Parkman School-house, to the janitorship of the Way-street School-house; Edward Sullivan, the present janitor of the latter building, to the janitorship of the Parkman School-house, to date from Mar. 11, 1908.

Laid over.

SUSPENSION OF JANITOR, COMINS SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, stating that, owing to the negligence of the janitor of the Comins School-house, an accident had occurred to the boiler in that building, and recommending that he be denied consideration for promotion for a period of one year from Feb. 25, 1908.

Laid over, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the aforesaid janitor was suspended until the next meeting of the Board, and the Secretary directed to notify him to appear at said meeting.

JANITORSHIP, HARRIS AND LITTLE EM'LY SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Harris

and Little Em'ly School-houses, and recommending the transfer of Francis P. Linnehan, janitor of the Benjamin Pope and Portable School-houses, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Mar. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the transfer of Francis P. Linnehan to said position approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, WALNUT - STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house, and recommending the transfer of Edward L. Menz, janitor of the Rutland-street School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Mar. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the transfer of Edward L. Menz to said position approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, HARVARD HILL SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, stating that John A. Downey, janitor of the Common-street School-house, is the only applicant for transfer to the janitorship of the Harvard Hill School-house, and recommending that he be transferred to this position, to date from Mar. 1, 1908.

Laid over.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 2, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Bailey-street and Portable Nos. 70 and 84 School-houses—Edward Powers, reappointed from Feb. 26, 1908; amount due from Feb. 16 to 29, 1908, inclusive, \$28.93.

Bowdoin School-house—Thomas Landrigan, assistant janitor at \$60 per month; reappointed from Feb. 19, 1908; amount due from Feb. 9 to 22, 1908, inclusive, \$28; William Jones, sweeper, at \$40 per month; amount due from Feb. 16 to 22, 1908, inclusive, \$9.33; William Sennott, assistant janitor at \$50 per month; amount due from Feb. 13 to 22, 1908, inclusive, \$16.67.

Chestnut-avenue and Portable No. 9 School-houses—Charles Totten, reappointed from Feb. 21, 1908; amount due from Feb. 11 to 29, 1908, inclusive, \$24.70.

Harris and Little Em'ly School-houses—John Merrill, appointed from Feb. 23, 1908.

Harvard Hill School-house—John A. Downey, appointed from Mar. 1, 1908.

Horace Mann School-house—Henry L. Wildes, reappointed from Feb. 24, 1908; amount due from Feb. 14 to 29, 1908, inclusive, \$35.20.

Parkman School-house—William J. Flemming, reappointed from Feb. 20, 1908; reappointed from Mar. 1, 1908; amount due from Feb. 20 to 29, 1908, inclusive, \$18.33.

Stoughton School-house—Elijah B. Hallett, reappointed from Feb. 23, 1908; amount due from Feb. 13 to 22, 1908, inclusive, \$18.

Walnut-street School-house—Edward Powers, appointed from March 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To William J. Flemming, Parkman School-house, from Feb. 20 to 29, 1908, inclusive, eighteen and 33-100 dollars (\$18.33).

To Elijah B. Hallett, Stoughton School-house, from Feb. 13 to 22, 1908, inclusive, eighteen dollars (\$18).

To William Jones, Bowdoin School-house, from Feb. 16 to 22, 1908, inclusive, nine and 33-100 dollars (\$9.33).

To Thomas Landrigan, Bowdoin School-house, from Feb. 9 to 22, 1908, inclusive, twenty-eight dollars (\$28).

To Edward Powers, Bailey-street and Portable Nos. 70 and 84 School-houses, from Feb. 16 to 29, 1908, inclusive, twenty-eight and 93-100 dollars (\$28.93).

To William Sennott, Bowdoin School-house, from Feb. 13 to 22, 1908, inclusive, sixteen and 67-100 dollars (\$16.67).

To Charles Totten, Chestnut-avenue and Portable No. 9 School-houses, from Feb. 11 to 29, 1908, inclusive, twenty-four and 70-100 dollars (\$24.70).

To Henry L. Wildes, Horace Mann School-house, from Feb. 14 to 29, 1908, inclusive, thirty-five and 20-100 dollars (\$35.20).

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of March, 1908, prepared and certified, to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Dr. Scannell.

INCREASED ACCOMMODATIONS, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Charles J. Lincoln, head-master of the Dorchester High School, under date of Feb. 26, 1908, stating the needs of his school with reference to increased accommodations, and suggesting the construction of an annex, as previously recommended by the Board of Superintendents, in Dec., 1907, with the intention of making that the final limit of the school.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent.

LECTURES, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. Storow, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to extend the course of lectures in the High School of Commerce during the remainder of the present school year at an expense not to exceed one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125), in addition to the expenditure of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) already authorized for the same purpose.

PLAYGROUND, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL.

A petition was received from J. P. C. Winship and eighty-one others, graduates, teachers and friends of the Brighton High School, requesting the School Committee to purchase the lot adjoining the Brighton High School-house for use as a playground and for future needs.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent.

CHARLESTOWN FREE SCHOOL FUND.

Mr. Brock, as treasurer of the corporation, submitted a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Charlestown Free School Fund for the year ending Jan. 31, 1908, the balance to new account being \$8,647.25.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr.

Scannell, the Chairman was authorized to approve the same, and to verify the sums and securities belonging to said fund and in the possession of the treasurer.

Mr. Brock in the chair.

NAMING OF NEW BUILDING, EDWARD EVERETT DISTRICT.

Mr. Storrow presented a communication addressed to him by Richard C. Humphreys, under date of Feb. 27, 1908, urging that when the Edward Everett School in Dorchester shall be removed to a new building, the name Edward Everett shall be retained and given to the new building. Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the petition received at the last meeting from the Winthrop School Association, that the proposed building to be erected in the Edward Everett District, Dorchester, be named the Robert Swan School, was taken from the table, and placed on file, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Humphreys and also the Winthrop School Association that the matter to which the communication and the petition relate will be given further consideration by the Board in due time.

EXTENSION OF EVENING SCHOOL TERM FOR FOREIGN-BORN PUPILS.

The communication received from the Superintendent, and laid on the table at the last meeting, with reference to continuing classes for the instruction of foreign-born pupils in English after the close of the regular evening school term, was taken from the table, and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to continue evening classes for the instruction of foreign-born pupils in English after the close of the present evening school term, at an additional expense not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500).

EYE-GLASSES FOR CHILDREN.

Mr. Storrow presented a communication addressed to him by the Superintendent, under date of Feb. 14, 1908, with reference to providing eye-glasses for children who are suffering from defective eyesight and whose parents are financially unable to furnish the needed relief, enclosing a communication from the Director of Physical Training and Athletics, containing the suggestion that his department be given authority to disburse a fund especially provided for the purpose by private philanthropy.

Referred to Dr. Scannell for consideration and report.

Mr. Storrow in the chair.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Board proceeded to consider various orders laid over at the last meeting, and acted thereon as follows:—

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending the page entitled "Terms Used in the Rules and Regulations" at the beginning of the rules and regulations. (See pp. 35, 36.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Section 37, paragraph 2, of the rules, relating to the certification of the validity of certificates of qualification held by teachers. (See p. 36.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Section 132, paragraph 3, of the rules, relating to the award of Franklin medals. (See p. 36.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Section 134, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the rules, with reference to the approval of text, supplementary and reference books, globes, maps, and charts by the Board of Superintendents. (See p. 36.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Section 220, paragraph 3, of the regulations, with reference to the approval of requisitions for books, supplies and other materials by Assistant Superintendents. (See p. 36.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Section 274, paragraph 3, of the regulations, with reference to the certification by the Secretary that teachers appointed hold certificates of the proper grade. (See p. 36.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Section 290, paragraph 1, of the regulations, relative to the rank of teachers in the Normal School. (See p. 36.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Section 337, paragraphs 4, 5 and 6, of the regulations, with respect to promotional examinations. (See p. 36.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, paragraph 4 of said section was further amended to read as follows:—

4. Teachers promoted to a higher rank in schools of the same class shall not be required to pass additional promotional examinations because of such promotion, but shall remain subject to the requirements of the regulations with respect to such examinations, and shall not be advanced in salary more than once after their original appointment until they shall have passed successfully the first promotional examination, and shall not be advanced in salary more than five times after their original appointment until they shall have passed successfully the second promotional examination.

The order as amended passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Section 335 and Section 336, paragraph 2, of the regulations, relative to the advancement of teachers on their respective schedules in connection with promotional examinations. (See p. 36.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending and renumbering Section 297, paragraph 4, Sections 300, 303, 413, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, and 423 of the regulations relating to certificate requirements of teachers and other employees in playgrounds, and to the department of school hygiene. (See p. 37.)

On motion of Dr. Scannell, paragraph 1 of Section 303 (new number 302) was amended to read as follows:—

1. There shall be a director of school hygiene, three assistant directors of physical training and athletics, as many special instructors in physical training, special assistant instructors in physical training, instructors in athletics and assistant instructors in athletics, supervisors of playgrounds, playground teachers, heads of playgrounds, helpers in playgrounds, and helpers in sand gardens, as the Board may from time to time authorize.

The order as amended passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Section 416 of the regulations, relative to the duties of the supervisor of household science and arts. (See p. 37.)

The order passed.

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Order offered by the Superintendent, relative to the rank and salary of Thomas P. Harrington, Director of Physical Training and Athletics. (See p. 37.)

The order passed.

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Orders offered by the Superintendent, relative to the rank and salary of Nathaniel J. Young and Gordon Trowbridge, assistant directors of physical training and athletics. (See p. 37.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, placed on file.

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Order offered by the Superintendent, relative to the salaries of the director and assistant directors of school hygiene. (See pp. 37, 38.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the order was amended to read as follows:—

ORDERED, That from and after Mar. 15, 1908, the salary of the Director of School Hygiene be fixed for the year ending Aug. 31, 1908, at the following rate per annum, \$3756.

The order as amended passed.

MANUAL TRAINING EQUIPMENT, CHARLESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That an expenditure not exceeding four hundred dollars (\$400) is hereby authorized for the purchase of manual training equipment for the Charlestown High School, the same to be charged to the regular appropriation heretofore made for manual training.

CLASSIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES FOR SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the Board of Superintendents, the Auditor, and the Business agent are hereby instructed jointly to prepare a detailed classified list of expenditures for supplies and incidentals to be furnished during the current financial year within the limit of the appropriation heretofore made by this Board for such purposes.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 12:14 o'clock A.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON

Proceedings of School Committee

Mar. 16, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present:—All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting. The appointments were approved.

TEXT AND SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of thirteen orders offered by Mr. Brock and laid over at the last meeting, relating to the adoption of text and supplementary books in the several elementary, high, Latin and evening elementary schools (see pp. 45, 46). The orders collectively passed.

MUNICIPAL PRINTING PLANT.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor,
Mar. 6, 1908.

To the School Committee:—

Dear Sirs:—I transmit herewith copy of a communication received from the Superintendent of Printing calling attention to the fact that some of the departments and several of the County and Court officials are having printing work done by private firms, and stating that the Printing Department is now in position to submit low estimates on any work.

In order that the Department may be placed on a paying basis, it is desirable that all printing work that it can possibly obtain be performed by its employees, and I sincerely trust that your Committee will favor the Department whenever possible.

Yours respectfully,
G. A. Hibbard,
Mayor.

(Communication from Superintendent of Printing enclosed.)
Placed on file.

EVACUATION DAY.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council,
Mar. 5, 1908.

ORDERED, That the Superintendent of Schools be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to allow half-holiday to the

schools of Ward 16, Evacuation Day, and the Phillips Brooks School of Ward 20.

In Common Council, Mar. 5, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:—

Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.
Office of the Mayor, Mar. 6, 1908.
Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.
Placed on file.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council,
Mar. 12, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to have the schools in South Boston closed on Evacuation Day.

In Common Council, Mar. 12, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:—

Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.
Office of the Mayor, Mar. 13, 1908.
Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.
Placed on file.

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING, WARD 9.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council,
Mar. 5, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to report to the Common Council upon the necessity and expediency of providing a new grammar school building in a suitable location in Ward 9, and in connection therewith to consider the feasibility of securing for the purpose the estate of the Boston Female Asylum on Washington street, between Asylum street and Lovering place.

In Common Council, Mar. 5, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:—

Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.
Office of the Mayor, Mar. 6, 1908.
Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.
Referred to the Superintendent.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)
Everett District—Ethel W. Smith, assistant, Mar. 4, 1908.

Washington Allston District—Louise T. E. Waterman, assistant, Mar. 12, 1908.
Accepted.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)
Public Latin School—John K. Richardson, master; Patrick T. Campbell, junior-master, Mar. 15, 1908.

Girl's Latin School—Florence Dix, Mary C. C. Goddard, Abby C. Howes, Helen A. Stuart, assistants, Mar. 15, 1908.

Brighton High School—Murielle F. Allen, assistant, Mar. 15, 1908.

Charlestown High School—Lotta A. Clark, Sarah Shaw, assistants, Mar. 15, 1908.

Dorchester High School—Anna M. Fries, Louisa E. Humphrey, assistants, Mar. 15, 1908.

East Boston High School—Lucy R. Beadle, Gracia E. Read, Alma F. Silsby, assistants, Mar. 15, 1908.

Girls' High School—Parnell S. Murray, Emma G. Shaw, Sarah A. Shorey, assistants; Laura B. White, special instructor, Mar. 15, 1908.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Annie L. Bennett, Grace G. Starbird, assistants, Mar. 15, 1908.

Roxbury High School—Persis P. Drake, Mary T. Loughlin, Edith A. Parkhurst, assistants, Mar. 15, 1908.

South Boston High School—Clara A. W. Barnes, Lillian J. MacRae, Annie M. Mulcahy, assistants, Mar. 15, 1908.

West Roxbury High School—Mary I. Adams, Caroline W. Trask, Blanche G. Wetherbee, assistants, Mar. 15, 1908.

Bigelow Evening School—Maurice J. O'Brien, principal, Mar. 1, 1908.

Evening and Vacation Schools—Charles M. Lamprey, Director, Mar. 1, 1908.
Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Bigelow District—Helen M. Donohue, Feb. 3, 1908, one day.

Chapman District—Mary A. Ford, from Mar. 10 to 13, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Comins District—May Harty, from Mar. 16, 1908.

Emerson District—Mary A. Ford, from Mar. 16, 1908.

Everett District—Annie S. Hagarty, from Mar. 4, 1908.

Frothingham District—Annie V. Hogan, Mar. 9, 1908, one day; Mary T. Lynch, Jan. 14, 1908, one day.

Harvard District—Mary H. Healey, from Mar. 9, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Mary E. Covey, Feb. 28, 1908, one day.
Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Girls' High School—Grace I. Scott, special instructor of commercial branches, from Mar. 9, 1908.

Everett District—Effie L. Evans, assistant, Mar. 2, 1908, one-half day.

Mary Hemenway District—Frances E. Kelly, assistant, from Dec. 2 to 6, 1907, inclusive, five days; Eileen A. Sweeney, assistant, from Jan. 2 to 14, 1908, inclusive, nine days.

Mather District—Mary A. Starkey, assistant, from Mar. 9, 1908.

Washington Allston District—Mary C. Burns, assistant, from Mar. 13 to 31, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Clara F. Laughlin, industrial assistant, from Mar. 24, 1908.

Minot District—Theresa F. Long, assistant, from Mar. 16, 1908.

Manual Training—Mary T. Baker, assistant instructor, from Mar. 25, 1908.
Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Lincoln District—E. Cecilia Mackin, assistant, from Apr. 1, 1908.
Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Margaret C. Seaver, first assistant, kindergarten, from Apr. 13, 1908.
Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Brighton High School—Sidney Peterson, master, head of the department of science.

Mechanic Arts High School—William Fuller, master, head of the department of mathematics; Charles L. Hanson, master, head of the department of English; Roswell Parish, master, head of the department of science.

Roxbury High School—Henry C. Shaw, master, head of the department of commercial branches; Irving H. Upton, master, head of the department of science.

Hyde District—Zelpha L. Thayer, assistant.

Quincy District—Alice M. Roche, assistant.

Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1907-08.

Quincy District—Elmer E. Harris, first assistant, from Mar. 2, 1908.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Emerson District—Isabel J. Ross, assistant, to the same position in the George Putnam District, from Mar. 16, 1908.

George Putnam District—Imogene L. Owen, assistant, to the same position in the Chapman District, from Mar. 16, 1908.

Lincoln District—Frances M. Spooner, assistant, to the same position in the Washington Allston District, from Apr. 1, 1908.

Mather District—Dorothy Taft, assistant, on probation, to the same position, on probation, in the Rice District, from Mar. 9, 1908.

Placed on file.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Adams District—(Plummer No. 2 Kindergarten), Mary Clark, from Mar. 9, 1908.

Gaston District—(Tuckerman Kindergarten), Jennie E. Wesson, from Feb. 17, 1908.

Lincoln District—(Choate Burnham Kindergarten), Alice L. Lynch, from Feb. 27, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Dorchester High School—Mabel M. Taylor, assistant, from Mar. 11 until July 1, 1908.

English High School—Joseph P. Cady, assistant instructor, Mar. 2, 1908, one day.

Agassiz District—Elvera M. Bloom, assistant, Feb. 5, 1908, one-half day.

Blackinton District—Harriet G. Jones, assistant, Mar. 3, 4 and 5, 1908, three days.

Chapman District—Mary C. Buffum, assistant, from Feb. 4 until Apr. 1, 1908.

Dearborn District—Helen Doherty, assistant, from Feb. 19 until June 19, 1908.

Dwight District—Minnie A. Noyes, assistant, Feb. 28, 1908, one-half day.

Eliot District—Katharine G. Sutliff, assistant, Feb. 28, 1908, one day.

Everett District—Eliza M. Evert, master's assistant, from Mar. 4 until July 1, 1908.

Frothingham District—Lena E. Campbell, assistant, from Feb. 24 until Mar. 23, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Ellen M. Greany, assistant, from Feb. 7 until Apr. 13, 1908.

Hyde District—Alice G. Mace, assistant, Feb. 24, 1908, one day.

John A. Andrew District—Helen M. Waterman, assistant, from Mar. 11 until July 1, 1908.

Phillips District—Nellie M. Foley, assistant, Mar. 2, 1908, one day.

Phillips Brooks District—Eleanor P. Cox, assistant, Feb. 19, 1908, one-half day; Eunice C. Hearn, assistant, Feb. 25, 1908, one-half day; Etta A. Manning, assistant, Feb. 7, 1908, one-half day.

Sherwin District—Sarah E. Gould, assistant, from Feb. 13 until Apr. 6, 1908.

Shurtleff District—Lillian M. Hall, assistant, Mar. 2, 1908, one-half day; Katharine S. Haskell, assistant kindergarten, Mar. 16, 1908, one day.

Thomas N. Hart District—Mary E. Donnelly, assistant, Feb. 10, 1908, one-half day; Mary F. Keyes, assistant, Feb. 28, 1908, one-half day; Mary B. Powers, assistant, Feb. 24 to 28, 1908, inclusive, four and one-half days; Maude C. Tinkham, assistant, Feb. 21, 1908, one-half day.

Washington District—Elizabeth A. Lyons, assistant, kindergarten, from Mar. 17 until May 5, 1908.

Washington Allston District—Alice A. Swett, first assistant, grammar school, Feb. 27, 1908, one-half day.

Wells District—Selma A. Black, assistant, Feb. 20, 1908, one-half day; Mary F. Finneran, assistant, Feb. 11, 1908, one-half day.

William E. Russell District—Sarah E. McMahan, assistant, Feb. 11, 1908, one-half day; Mabel A. Woodward, assistant, Feb. 27 and 28, 1908, two days.

Household Science and Arts—Alice L. Manning, teacher of cookery, from Jan. 27 until Apr. 1, 1908.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to the following-named teacher, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909:—

Dorchester High School—Mabel S. Morse, special instructor of physical training.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers, without loss of pay, for the terms specified:—

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Grace G. Starbird, first assistant, from Mar. 30 until Apr. 3, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Lowell District—Amelia W. Watkins, assistant, Mar. 25, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted the following-named teacher, without pay, from Apr. 22 until Sept. 1, 1908:—

Dwight District—Mary V. Gormley, assistant.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of one hundred ten minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of four to be licensed to black boots, and of one to be licensed to act as pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

TESTS OF SIGHT AND HEARING.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, containing a comparative statement of the result of the sight and hearing tests of pupils in the public schools for the years 1907 and 1908.

Placed on file.

WARRENTON-STREET KINDERGARTEN.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, with reference to the communication from Rev.

B. F. McDaniel, Superintendent of the Barnard Memorial, relative to compensation for janitor's service, light and heat in the Warrenton-street Kindergarten, referred to him at the meeting of Jan. 27, stating that he had investigated the matter and finds that the proposition made therein is reasonable, viz.: that the compensation for heat, light and janitor's service for the rooms used for kindergarten purposes be fixed at the rate of \$300 per annum, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the Barnard Memorial be paid at the rate of three hundred dollars (\$300) per annum for heating and lighting and for janitor service in connection with the public kindergarten maintained by the city in the Warrenton-street Chapel.

The communication was placed on file, and the order passed.

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANT, MARTIN DISTRICT.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the appointment of an assistant in the Martin District for the remainder of the present school year, in excess of the number allowed by the rules and regulations, is hereby authorized.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 105. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 105. He shall, subject to the approval of the Board, appoint, reappoint, and remove all members of the supervising staff, principals, and teachers; provided, that in the case of the original appointment on probation of subordinate teachers, he shall consult the principal of the school or district and the assistant superintendent in charge thereof, or the director of the special department, if the appointment is in that department.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 270, paragraph 3. Strike out the following words:—"furnish such statistical information as the Superintendent may require. The sole and undivided responsibility with respect to the selection and appointment of all teachers shall, subject to the approval of the Board, rest upon the superintendent," and substitute in place thereof the words:—"confer with him with reference to the appointment, so that the paragraph will read as follows:—

3. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the teaching force, or the appointment of an additional teacher is required, the principal of the school or district, or the director concerned, shall notify the superintendent and confer with him with reference to the appointment.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 315. Add a clause to be numbered 7; and renumber clause 7 as clause 8, so that the section will read as follows:—

Sect 315. No teacher shall be granted leave of absence except for the following reasons:—

(1) Personal illness. (2) Critical illness or death in the immediate family of the teacher. (3) To attend the funeral of a teacher or school officer in the employ of the city. (4) To serve in teachers' institutes held under the direction of state boards of education, or to take part in teachers' associations. (5) To visit other schools. (6) To study and travel, or for rest. (7) After twenty years of service, resignation to take effect at the end of the leave. (8) By order of the Board on the recommendation of the superintendent.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 317. Add a paragraph, to be numbered 5.

5. Applications for leave of absence after twenty years of service, accompanied by resignation to take effect at the end of said absence, shall be for a period not exceeding one year, and if recommended by the superintendent shall be submitted by him to the Board for approval.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 334, paragraph 2. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

2. The salaries of teachers otherwise absent from duty shall be subject to a deduction for each day's absence equal to one four-hundredth part of the annual salary of the absentee; except that a teacher absent from duty after twenty years of service, whose resignation is to take effect at the end of said absence, shall be paid at the rate of one-half the annual salary of the absentee.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That Section 419 of the regulations be amended by striking out in the first and second lines of paragraphs 1 and 2 the words "school hygiene", and substituting in place thereof the following words:—physical training and athletics.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 144. Add two paragraphs, to be numbered 11 and 12, as follows:—

11. Certificates issued prior to Jan. 1, 1908, and held on that date by persons serving in permanent positions in the Parental School, shall remain valid during the term of such service and until the 30th day of June of the second year following the termination of such service.

12. Certificates under which appointments are made to permanent positions in the Parental School, under the same conditions governing appointments to similar positions in the public schools of the city of Boston, and certificates of higher grade but including the position in which the holder thereof is employed, shall remain valid during the term of such service and until the thirtieth day of June of the second year following the termination of such service.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 145. Add a paragraph, to be numbered 2.

2. Teachers serving in permanent posi-

tions in the Parental School on Jan. 1, 1908, and teachers appointed on probation in the Parental School after Jan. 1, 1908, under the same conditions governing appointment to similar positions in the public schools, shall be eligible to appointment on probation to the same rank in the public schools of the city of Boston.

Renumber present paragraphs 2, 3, 4 and 5 of section 145 as paragraphs 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 317, paragraph 2. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

2. A teacher receiving leave of absence to study and travel must have completed seven years of service in the public schools of the city of Boston, part of which may be in the Parental School. He may be granted such leave of absence more than once, but not to exceed one year in any eight consecutive years. A teacher receiving leave of absence for rest must have completed twenty years of service in the public schools of the city of Boston, part of which may be in the Parental School. He may be granted such leave of absence more than once, but not to exceed one year in any twenty-one consecutive years.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 330. Strike out the four concluding lines, so that the section will read as follows:—

Sec. 330. All teachers appointed on probation, except those transferred to a higher rank or grade of schools, shall be placed upon the minimum salary of their respective ranks; provided, that those appointed as assistants in the elementary day schools may be allowed one year's credit for more than two and less than four years' previous service; two years' credit for more than four and less than six years' previous service; three years' credit for six or more years' previous service.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 331. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sec. 331. A teacher appointed on probation, who at the time of appointment is serving in a permanent position in the Parental School, and who during that service has complied with the requirements for promotional examinations established for teachers in the public schools of the city of Boston, shall receive credit for that service on the same conditions and to the same extent as if that service had been rendered for an equal period in a public school of the city of Boston; provided, that the salaries paid to teachers in the Parental School during that period be not less than the salaries paid teachers of the same rank in the public schools of the city of Boston.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 337. Add a paragraph, to be numbered 7.

7. Teachers appointed on probation, who have already passed one or both of the prescribed promotional examina-

tions while serving in the Parental School, shall be allowed full credit therefor in the same manner as other teachers whose entire service has been rendered in the public schools of the city of Boston.

Laid over.

ANNUAL PRIZE DRILLS AND PARADE, BOSTON SCHOOL CADETS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the annual prize drills and parade of the Boston School Cadets take place this year as follows:—

English High School, Thursday, May 7, 1908.

Public Latin School, Friday, May 8, 1908.
District High Schools, Friday, May 7, 1908.

Annual Street Parade, Friday, May 29, 1908.

Passed.

CLOSING OF SOUTH BOSTON EVENING SCHOOLS, EVACUATION DAY.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the sessions of the South Boston Evening High, the Bigelow and the Lincoln Evening Schools be suspended on Tuesday, Mar. 17, 1908.

WAY-STREET SCHOOL, PLAY, GAMES AND MANUAL TRAINING.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the Way-street School in the Quincy District be added to those schools attended by children of the first three grades in which the afternoon session is lengthened and devoted to play, and in which games and manual training, so far as possible chosen by the pupils, are introduced in place of the regular schedule during the last hours of that session.

Passed.

REFERENCE MAPS, CHARTS AND ATLASES.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, recommending the adoption of various maps, charts and atlases for reference use in any of the schools.

Placed on file.

Dr. Scannell offered the following:—

ORDERED, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, the following-named maps, charts and atlases are hereby authorized for reference use in any of the schools:—

Kiepert's Classical Maps: Ancient Greece and the Aegean, Empire of the Persians and of Alexander the Great.

Kampen's Ancient History Maps: Ancient Greece, Ancient Italy, Roman Empire, Ancient Gaul.

W. and A. K. Johnston's Maps: Imperial Series: Africa, North America, South America, Asia, United States, United States Possessions—Map of the World. Grand Series: Dominion of Canada, Central Europe, France, Spanish Peninsula. Stanford's Library Map of Europe. Leeder's Map of Germany.

Hachette's Map of France.
Hammett's Blackboard Outline Maps: Italy (Tiber River), Greece and Asia Minor, Roman Empire, Central Europe, British Isles, Europe.

Foster's Charts of the United States, published by Rand, McNally & Co.

Dow's Atlas of European History, published by Henry Holt & Co.

Laid over.

USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS FOR ELECTION PURPOSES.

A communication was received from George W. Morrison, Superintendent of Public Buildings, under date of Mar. 14, 1908, requesting permission to use the gymnasium of the East Boston High School, the basement of the Christopher Columbus School, and the quarters usually occupied in school buildings in Wards 4, 5, 10, 11 and 12 in past years, for caucuses to be held for the election of delegates to the National Convention in March and April of the current year.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the request contained in the foregoing communication was approved, with the understanding that the basement of the James Otis School-house shall be substituted for the gymnasium of the East Boston High School-house; that the proposed occupancy of the basement of the Christopher Columbus School-house shall be outside of school hours and not interfere with the sessions of the school; and that the use of accommodations in Wards 4, 5, 10 and 11, but not 12, shall be allowed under the same conditions as in former years.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1907-08.

The financial report of the School Committee for the year 1907-08, prepared by the Auditor, being School Document No. 1, 1908, was presented.

Placed on file.

EXPENDITURES FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH, 1908.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, submitting information bearing on the expenditures for February and March of the current fiscal year, together with diagrams intended to show the rate of expenditure for various purposes during the preceding year.

Placed on file.

SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, stating that pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Mar. 2, the Civil Service Commission had certified the following-named persons as eligible for appointment to the position of substitute janitor: Cornelius O'Sullivan, James J. Doherty.

Placed on file.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, stating that he had interviewed the two candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission for the substitute janitorship, and recommending that Cornelius O'Sullivan, who stands first on the list, be appointed to the position, to date from Mar. 23, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the appointment of Cornelius O'Sullivan to said position approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, BENJAMIN POPE AND PORTABLE NOS. 16, 36 AND 63 SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the

Benjamin Pope and Portable Nos. 16, 26 and 63 School-houses, and recommending the transfer of David F. Sennott, janitor of the Albert Palmer and Portable School-houses, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Apr. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the transfer of David F. Sennott to said position approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, RUTLAND-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Rutland-street School-house, and recommending the transfer of George J. Hurley, janitor of the Cook School-house, who stands second on the list, to the position to date from Apr. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

Subsequently, on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of George J. Hurley to said position approved, from the date stated.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Albert Palmer and Portable No. 62 School-houses—William Sennott, amount due from Jan. 28 until Feb. 4, 1908, inclusive, \$16.53.

Comins and Portable No. 89 School-houses—Thomas Landrigan, appointed from Mar. 4, 1908, reappointed from Mar. 14, 1908; amount due from Mar. 4 to 13, 1908, inclusive, \$28.67.

Common-street School-house—Thomas Edes, appointed from Mar. 10, 1908.

Harris and Little Em'ly School-houses—John Merrill, reappointed from Mar. 4 and 14, 1908; amount due from Feb. 23 until Mar. 13, 1908, inclusive, \$52.67.

Harvard Hill School-house—John A. Downey, amount due from Mar. 1 to 9, 1908, inclusive, \$12.90.

Parkman School-house—William J. Flemming, amount due from Mar. 1 to 10, 1908, inclusive, \$18.33.

Rutland-street School-house—William J. Flemming, appointed from Mar. 16, 1908.

Walnut-street School-house—Edward Powers, reappointed from Mar. 11, 1908; amount due from Mar. 1 to 10, 1908, inclusive, \$17.67; amount due from Mar. 11 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$8.83.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED. That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To John A. Downey, Harvard Hill School-house, from Mar. 1 to 9, 1908, inclusive, twelve and 90-100 dollars (\$12.90).

To William J. Flemming, Parkman School-house, from Mar. 1 to 10, 1908, inclusive, eighteen and 33-100 dollars (\$18.33).

To Thomas Landrigan, Comins and Portable No. 89 School-houses, from Mar. 4 to 13, 1908, inclusive, twenty-eight and 67-100 dollars (\$28.67).

To John Merrill, Harris and Little Em'ly School-houses, from Feb. 23 until Mar. 13, 1908, inclusive, fifty-two and 67-100 dollars (\$52.67).

To Edward Powers, Walnut-street School-house, from Mar. 1 to 10, 1908, inclu-

sive, seventeen and 67-100 dollars (\$17.67); from Mar. 11 to 15, 1908, inclusive, eight and 83-100 dollars (\$8.83).

To William Sennott, Albert Palmer and Portable No. 62 School-houses, from Jan. 28 until Feb. 4, 1908, inclusive, sixteen and 53-100 dollars (\$16.53).

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING, ROXBURY.

A petition was received from Thomas M. Watson and seventy-two others, residents of that part of Roxbury bounded by Walnut avenue, Townsend, Thornton and Dale streets, stating that the children of that district now have to walk a long distance to any school, that all of the schools in the vicinity are at present taxed to their full capacity, that this part of Roxbury is growing rapidly, and the petitioners believe an elementary school in that neighborhood to be a necessity.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report.

PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The following communication, addressed to the Board by its Chairman, under date of Mar. 16, 1908, was received:—

Boston, Mar. 16, 1908.

To the Boston School Committee:—

Gentlemen:—The Chairman of the School Committee, immediately after the Cleveland catastrophe, knowing that the members of the Committee would be anxious to go over carefully the protection against fire afforded to our school children here in Boston, wrote to the Superintendent, on Mar. 5, calling attention to the terrible loss of life in the Cleveland school-house, and asking him to make a thorough inspection of everything relating to fire discipline and fire protection in our schools, to see if there was anything left undone which ought to be done to increase the safety of the children.

Pursuant to these instructions, the Superintendent has visited, with the Chairman, a large number of the schools and has also submitted to the Chairman reports from the principal of each public school in Boston.

The Chairman at the same time instructed the Schoolhouse Custodian to make a careful examination of each school building in the city to see if he could suggest any precautions against fire. This examination is still being conducted, but the Schoolhouse Custodian has been reporting to the Chairman from day to day as the examination proceeds. Copies of the results of the examinations made by the Custodian have been furnished, as received, to the Schoolhouse Commission.

This Committee recognizes the fact that it is not charged with the building or the structural condition of the school-houses, but at the same time, in view of the vital consequence of securing all available and reasonable means of fire protection to the children, the Chairman has felt that the Committee would not be fulfilling its obligations to the public if it did not call the attention of the Schoolhouse Commission to such structural defects as came to the knowledge of the Committee.

Protection of the children in case of fire depends upon three things:—

1. The efficiency of the fire drill, which necessarily involves (a) adequate means for giving the alarm, and (b) adequate means of prompt egress from the building.

2. Such a structural condition of the building as either to prevent the starting of fire or the rapid progress of fire when started, and especially, so far as possible, to prevent the spread of fire in

such a way as to cut off all available means of egress before the children can leave the building.

Your Chairman can report to the Committee that after visiting unexpectedly about 35 of our school buildings, located in widely separated districts, he found that the principals of the various schools had conducted fire drills faithfully and efficiently, and that the order and rapidity with which the children leave the school buildings in practically every case upon the sounding of the school fire signal are a great credit to both the principals of our schools and the teachers. The fire drill can, however, be improved, in the opinion of the Chairman, in several particulars.

The exit of the children from the building should be timed, not from the moment the signal is given, but from the moment that the fire is supposed to be discovered by the teacher, janitor or master in some room or portion of the building. For example, as nearly as possible to reproduce fire conditions, the supposition at one time should be that the janitor has suddenly discovered a fire in the boiler room. The time should be counted from that instant, and the janitor should himself take the necessary steps to insure the sounding of the signal. At another time the fire should be supposed to have started in one of the children's coat rooms, adjoining a room on perhaps one of the upper stories, and to have been discovered by the teacher of that room, who should be instructed to act just as she would in case of an actual fire. It has been suggested that to perfect this method each principal should have in his office a block of wood painted red, and that when this block is delivered to the janitor in the basement or to any teacher in the building, it should be taken to mean that a fire is supposed to have started at that moment and at that point, and that the children must be immediately gotten out of the building.

In some of the schools the janitor alone is depended upon to open all the doors. In other schools we found that the moment a gong sounded two of the older and stronger pupils ran to each door to make sure that they were opened, and this should be the practice,—i. e., the janitor should be instructed to proceed at once to the exits to make sure that they are open, but in order to avoid the possibility of the children getting there first, or in case the janitor is delayed, there should be two pupils designated and trained in advance to run at once to each separate exit to see that that particular exit is opened.

Turning now to the structural changes which will facilitate the fire drill, it seems evident to your Chairman (a) that the fire gong should be a different bell, with an entirely distinct quality of sound from the school bell in ordinary use; (b) that it should be possible to ring this bell from each corridor and also from the basement of the building; (c) that the bell should be rung by a mechanical pull instead of being made to depend upon the condition of an electric battery.

As to the location of the place or places from which the fire alarm can be given, there is at present no uniformity in the schools. In some cases, and possibly in a majority, the signal can be given only from the master's office. In other cases, it can be given from one or two of the corridors, but not from all. We found in one case that the janitor, in order to give the fire signal, was obliged to go up four flights of stairs into the master's office. We found in several cases during our examination that from the time the janitor was instructed to give the signal, to the time when the alarm was actually given, was nearly as long as the time consumed in getting the children out of the building after the giving of the alarm; and in one case it took the janitor consider-

ably longer to ring the fire signal than it did for the children to get out of the building after they received the signal.

The Chairman suggests a simple mechanical pull for the gong, extending downwards from floor to floor through the building, because it is never certain that an electric battery may not have run down or have been neglected. For example, in the case of one building where the master's custom is to notify each room separately by a separate electric bell, one of the room bells did not ring at all. In another case, where the signal was given by ringing a gong in the corridor, it was not sufficiently loud, for one of the teachers did not hear the gong, or mistook it for one of the ordinary signals of the school, and the class remained in its room.

So far as the structural condition of the schools is concerned, the most serious defects are to be found in the smaller and older buildings. In most of these buildings there are two staircases, which are generally constructed of wood. In such buildings the furnace is frequently placed directly underneath the lower wooden floor, and as the wooden stairways are, owing to the smallness of the building, necessarily near together, there is danger that a fire which would prevent the use or one of the stairways would also prevent the use of the other. In every case of this sort, it seems imperative that an adequate outside fire escape should be provided. The majority of these buildings are old and it is hoped to abandon many of them within the next few years; but if fire escapes of standard construction are placed on these old buildings now, they can be removed when the building is abandoned and utilized to some extent at least on other buildings.

In the opinion of your Chairman the vertical ladder type of fire escape is useless. The children cannot safely be trusted to go down these ladders as part of a fire drill, and it is clear that they can much less safely be trusted—in fact, they would find it impossible—to utilize these ladders in case of fire.

Quite a large number of the older buildings are now equipped with fire escapes of the stairway pattern. There is no difficulty whatever in the use of this type of escape, and wherever it exists its use should be made a part of the fire drill. In several buildings equipped with such fire escapes your Chairman found that when the signal was rung the children of the upper stories at once went out of the building by means of these exterior escapes.

On the outer side of these fire escapes there is placed a hand rail. Usually no hand rail is placed on the side adjoining the building, but there should be a hand rail on this side also, because as the children come down two abreast the child on the inside should have its hand upon a rail to prevent any danger of stumbling or falling forward and not only injuring himself, but causing disorder and possible injury to others.

The fire escape at the Girls' High School is not used, but the principal states that if added protection from falling, or from fear of falling, by means of additional grating or rods is afforded them, the escape can be used without danger or difficulty. This should be done at once, and the question whether this building needs an additional fire escape should also be carefully considered.

So far as the doors are concerned, the Chairman believes that all the doors of corridors and exits now swing outward, but, at least in the case of the older buildings, there is no standard form of lock in use. In many cases, one of the leaves of the door is bolted by separate independent bolts at the top and bottom. These should be removed and other bolts of a

modern type put on, so that it will be possible to open both doors by a single turn of one handle.

It is also true that when the leaf of a door is thrown open there should be an automatic catch to hold it open,—with perhaps a staple and hook also, in case the automatic catch should be out of order. Your Chairman found that in several instances the pupils arrived at the exits before the janitor was able to hook back all of the doors.

It will be observed that the only one of these general structural changes which involves any considerable expense is the additional fire escape.

Various detailed suggestions relating to specific buildings, as well as the material portions of the reports received from the principals will be submitted by the Chairman to the Schoolhouse Commission unless otherwise instructed by this Committee.

Yours very truly,

James J. Storrow,

Chairman, Boston School Committee.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, a copy of the aforesaid communication was ordered to be transmitted to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, with the request that said Board comply with the suggestions contained therein.

EYE-GLASSES FOR CHILDREN.

Dr. Scannell, to whom was referred at the last meeting a communication from the Superintendent, with reference to providing eye-glasses for children who are suffering from defective eye-sight and whose parents are financially unable to furnish the needed relief, and containing the suggestion by the Director of Physical training and Athletics that his department be given authority to disburse a fund especially provided for the purpose by private philanthropy, made an oral report thereon, recommending that no action be taken with regard to the matter. (See p. 48.)

The communication was placed on file, and the report and recommendation of Dr. Scannell accepted and adopted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the doors were opened.

SUSPENSION OF JANITOR, COMINS SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The Board took up for consideration the communication received from the School-house Custodian, and laid over at the last meeting, with reference to the accident to the boiler in the Comins School-house, caused by the negligence of the janitor. (See p. 46.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication was placed on file, and the aforesaid janitor was restored to duty.

TRANSFER OF JANITORS, PARKMAN AND STOUGHTON SCHOOL-HOUSES.

The Board took up for consideration the communication received from the School-house Custodian, and laid over at the last meeting, recommending the following transfers of janitors (see p. 46):—

Henry Keenan, janitor of the Stoughton School-house, to the janitorship of the Adams-street and Portable No. 1 School-houses; Asa C. Hawes, the present janitor of the latter buildings, to the janitorship of the Stoughton School-house, to date from Mar. 4, 1908.

Alexander Nelson, janitor of the Parkman School-house, to the janitorship of the Way-street School-house; Edward Sullivan, the present janitor of the latter building, to the janitorship of the Parkman School-house, to date from Mar. 11, 1908.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the transfers of Henry Keenan and Asa C. Hawes were approved, to date from Mar. 9, 1908, and the transfers of Alexander Nelson and Edward Sullivan were approved, to date from Mar. 22, 1908.

JANITORSHIP, HARVARD HILL SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The Board took up for consideration the communication received from the School-house Custodian, and laid over at the last meeting (see p. 47), recommending the transfer of John A. Downey, janitor of the Common-street School-house, to the janitorship of the Harvard Hill School-house, to date from Mar. 1, 1908.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the transfer of John A. Downey as aforesaid was approved, to date from Mar. 1, 1908.

ADJOURNED MEETING.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That when the Board adjourns it be to meet on Thursday, Mar. 19, 1908, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 11:10 o'clock P. M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Mar. 19, 1908.

An adjourned regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.
Present: All the members.

EXTENSION OF PHYSICAL TRAINING AND EXERCISES.

The Board proceeded to take up for consideration the question of the organization of playground activities.

Dr. Thomas F. Harrington, Director of School Hygiene, appeared, and discussed the plan received from the Board of Superintendents at the meeting of Mar. 2, outlining a proposed plan of organization.

Mr. Joseph Lee addressed the Board on the subject, urging that especial attention be given to the interests of the smaller children and the proper supervision of playgrounds for their benefit.

Rev. Philo Sprague of Charlestown was heard with regard to the needs of that district for playground facilities.

Rev. Michael J. Scanlon spoke in the interests of the children living in the South End, with particular reference to the necessity for adequate supervision of the Randolph street playground.

Miss Esther G. Barrows and Mr. William of the South End House, and Mr. Brennan of the Ellis Memorial Club, were also heard on the subject.

The Board took the matter under further consideration.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That, in accordance with Chapter 450 of the Acts of 1907, the following-named school districts be and hereby are designated as the school districts in the city of Boston in which additional school accommodations are necessary, the said school districts being named in the order in which, in the opinion of the School Committee, provision should be made for additional school accommodations in this city from the funds which may become available during the present year under the provisions of section 2 of said chapter, and the number of pupils set opposite each of the school districts being the approximate number of additional pupils for which provision should be made in each of said school districts:—

Pupils

1. Edward Everett District, elementary school, upper grades.....	616
2. Brimmer District, elementary school, upper grades.....	1760
3. Eliot District, administrative office	
4. Blackinton District, elementary school, upper grades.....	704
5. Dudley District, elementary school, lower grades.....	528
6. Henry L. Pierce District, high school (Dorchester High).....	420
7. Longfellow District, elementary school, lower grades.....	352

Passed unanimously.

The following appointment and confirmation by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Martin District—Edward L. Curran, assistant (under a special order), from Mar. 18, 1908.

Placed on file.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Girls' High School—Samuel Thurber, master, head of the department of English.
Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That leave of absence without loss of pay be granted Herbert S. Weaver, head-master of the Girls' High School of Practical Arts, from Nov. 1, 1908, to Dec. 14, 1908, inclusive, that he may visit educational institutions in other cities.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted the following-named master, without loss of pay, from Apr. 13 to 21, 1908, inclusive, five days:—

Bowdoin District—Alonzo Meserve, master.

RANK OF SAMUEL THURBER.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That on and after Apr. 1, 1908, the rank of Samuel Thurber, master, head of the department of English in the Girls' High School, be that of master as of appointment before June 1, 1906, to serve during the pleasure of the School Committee, and that he be placed upon the maximum salary of his new rank.

PAYMENT TO ELIJAH B. HALLETT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 19, 1908, recommending the payment of \$18 to Elijah B. Hallett, for services rendered as acting janitor of the Stoughton School-house, from Feb. 23 until Mar. 3, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That there be paid to Elijah B. Hallett the sum of eighteen dollars (\$18) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Stoughton School-house, from Feb. 23 until Mar. 3, 1908, inclusive.

JANITORSHIP, COMINS PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE NO. 89.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 19, 1908, stating that Portable School-house No. 89 has been recently removed from the yard of the Warren School to the yard of the Comins School, and was occupied for school purposes on Mar. 4, 1908, and recommending the appointment of Samuel A. Dodds, janitor of the Comins School-house, to the janitorship of this portable building, to date from Mar. 18, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the appointment of Samuel A. Dodds to said position was approved from the date stated.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the doors were opened.

COMPENSATION OF JANITORS, ENGLISH HIGH AND PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL-HOUSES.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the communication received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, and laid on the table at the meeting of Jan. 3, 1908 (see p. 198), relative to the division of duties and compensation for the janitor service of the English High

and Public Latin School-houses, in the event of the employment of a third person to take charge of the heating and ventilating of said buildings, was taken from the table, and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 10:50 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Apr. 2, 1908.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 5 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present:—All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the reading of the records of the last two meetings was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING RATES, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The Chairman presented a communication addressed to him by The Edison Electric Illuminating Company, under date of Mar. 30, 1908, stating that the agreement for incandescent lighting entered into on the first day of June, 1904, between the City of Boston and The Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston for five years, for supplying electricity for lighting the various municipal buildings in this city has been canceled, enclosing a copy of the schedule of municipal rates established by that Company to take effect Apr. 1, 1908 in place of the agreement canceled; and stating that the next bills will be figured at whichever of these rates proves cheapest for the School Committee, as indicated by its last year's consumption.

Placed on file.

The Chairman also presented the following in draft of a communication to The Edison Electric Illuminating Company, in response to the foregoing communication:—

I beg to acknowledge your letter of Mar. 30th, 1908, with enclosed copy of schedule of municipal rates.

The School Committee has instructed me to say that the Committee is aware of no reason which would justify an advance in electric lighting rates above the rate which the School Department has paid for the last four years, but, on the contrary, it seems to the Committee that, in line with the general reduction in lighting rates which has been going on all over the country, there should be, probably, at the present time, a reduction in rates. I am accordingly instructed by the School Committee to notify you that the School Department will not consent to the proposed increased rates which we understand your company proposes to make. We understand that the increase referred to in your letter of Mar. 30th will amount to 6 per cent.

I have notified the Auditor of the School Department not to approve any payments at a rate in excess of the rate which has been prevailing since June, 1904.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the foregoing proposed communication was approved and the Chairman authorized to forward the same.

PRESENTATION OF COLLECTION OF MOUNTED BIRDS.

A communication was received from William W. Castle, under date of Mar. 31, 1908, offering to present to the Board as a mark of his friendship for Dr. David D. Scannell a collection of mounted birds, to be placed according to the best judgment of the Board in the Normal School or some similar advanced school.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Castle that the Board will very gladly accept the proposed gift, the great value of which it fully appreciates, and will make suitable provision for the preservation of the collection in the Normal School, where it will undoubtedly prove exceedingly useful, not only to the pupils attending that school, but will also be a notable addition to the educational material which is being collected there for the benefit especially of all teachers employed in the public school system.

CONTRACT FOR COAL.

The Chairman presented a contract with Batchelder Bros., under date of Mar. 31, 1908, for furnishing coal to the various school buildings, from Apr. 1 until June 1, 1908, at the following rates:—

Furnace	(about 600 tons)	\$5.75 per ton
Egg	(about 100 ")	\$6.25 " "
Stove	(about 20 ")	\$6.25 " "
Bituminous	(about 1000 ")	
(Guaranteed to contain 14,000 British thermal units by test)		
		\$4.30 " "

On motion of Mr. Ellis, approved and placed on file.

PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Mar. 20, 1908, in response to the reference to said Board of the communication received from the Chairman of the School Committee, at the meeting of Mar. 16, 1908, relative to protection against fire in the public school buildings of this city, stating that the recommendations contained therein will be duly considered, and such action will be taken as appears to be for the best interests of the schools.

Placed on file.

STORAGE OF RAILS AND VOTING COMPARTMENTS, WEST CONCORD-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Election Commissioners, under date of Mar. 28, 1908, requesting that said Board be allowed to store rails and voting compartments, used in connection with caucuses to be held for the election of delegates to the National Convention, in the basement of the West Concord-street School-house from Apr. 1 to 22, 1908, as has been done for the past four years.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the privilege requested by the Board of Election Commissioners in the foregoing communication was granted.

STANDING OF TEACHERS, PARENTAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Mar. 20, 1908, in response to the reference to that Board at the meeting of Jan. 29, 1907, of a communication from the Trustees

of the Children's Institutions Department, transmitting an application from the teachers employed in the Parental School that they be allowed the same standing as teachers employed in the public schools, reporting that the proposed amendments to the regulations submitted by the Superintendent at the meeting of the School Committee held on Mar. 16, 1908, provide for the placing of teachers employed in the Parental School on a similar basis to those employed in the schools of this city with respect to the validity of certificates of qualification, the appointment and transfer of teachers, and the granting of

leaves of absence, and that no action by said Board is therefore necessary.

Placed on file.

—
ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 5:06 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Apr. 6, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Mar. 16.

The appointments were approved.

ENLARGEMENT OF YARD, QUINCY SCHOOL.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, In Common Council,

Apr. 2, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to purchase the estates, 85 and 87 Hudson street and 92 Tyler street, Ward 7, for the enlargement of the yard of the Quincy School, and for the purpose of providing a suitable recreation ground for children.

In Common Council, Apr. 2, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:—

Joseph O'Kane,

Clerk of the Common Council.

Office of the Mayor, Apr. 3, 1908.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.

Referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report.

DAILY FIRE DRILLS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, In Common Council,

Apr. 2, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to issue an order making it compulsory upon the principals of all schools, equipped with proper fire escapes, to conduct daily drills of the pupils on such escapes, for the purpose of making the children familiar with the means of escape, in case of fire.

In Common Council, Apr. 2, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:—

Joseph O'Kane,

Clerk of the Common Council.

Office of the Mayor, Apr. 3, 1908.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.

Referred to the Board of Superintendents for consideration and report.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Lewis District—Charlotte L. Wilber, assistant, Apr. 13, 1908.

Lyman District—Rose G. Harris, assistant, Mar. 23, 1908.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Bertha E. Richardson, first assistant, kindergarten, Apr. 13, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Dearborn District—Margaret E. McMahon, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Dudley District—Jennie G. Maguire, from Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Dwight District—Annie V. Hogan, from Apr. 1, 1908.

Eliot District—Mary J. O'Neil, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Emerson District—Julia V. Guiney, from Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days
Helen L. Leahy, from Mar. 17 until Apr. 3, 1908, inclusive, fourteen days.

Everett District—Margaret Stedman, kindergarten, from Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Henry L. Pierce District—Mary A. Ford, from Apr. 13, 1908; Eleanor L. Rand, kindergarten, from Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Lewis District—James T. Donovan, from Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Lyman District—Mary E. Fennelly, from Mar. 31 until Apr. 16, 1908, inclusive, eight days; Annie V. Hogan, from Mar. 23 to 27, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Mary Hemenway District—Emma A. Brust, from Apr. 13, 1908; Hetty B. Schriftgeisser, kindergarten, from Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Mather District—Mary R. Stapleton, from Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Minot District—Ida F. Wall, from Apr. 1 to 16, 1908, inclusive, seven days.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Genevieve R. Dore, from Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Sherwin District—Agnes McCloskey, from Apr. 13, 1908; Florence Rice, from Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dorchester High School—Mary C. Humphrey, assistant instructor, from Feb. 25 until Mar. 6, 1908, inclusive, nine days.

Prescott District—Annie V. Hogan, assistant, from Mar. 2 to 6, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Normal School—Katharine Merrill, assistant, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Dudley District—Jennie G. Maguire, assistant, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Nellie B. Vinal, assistant, from Apr. 27, 1908.

Mather District—Mary R. Stapleton, assistant, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Emerson District—Julia V. Guiney, assistant, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Lyman District—Mary E. Fennelly, assistant, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Minot District—Ida F. Wall, assistant, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Sherwin District—Florence Rice, assistant, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Lewis District—James T. Donovan, assistant, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Genevieve R. Dore, assistant, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Thomas N. Hart District—Dorothy Fairbanks, assistant, kindergarten, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Henry L. Pierce District—Eleanor L. Rand, assistant, kindergarten, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Everett District—Margaret Stedman, assistant, kindergarten, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—Hetty B. Schriftgeisser, assistant, kindergarten, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Manual Training—Mary T. Baker, assistant instructor, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Dudley District—Alice M. Crowell, master's assistant, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Willena E. Browne, first assistant, kindergarten, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Public Latin School—William T. Campbell, master, head of the department of mathematics; Byron Groce, master, head of the department of English; William P. Henderson, master, head of the department of French; Henry Pennypacker, master, head of the department of Greek.

Girls' Latin School—Edward H. Atherton, master, head of the department of ancient languages.

Charlestown High School—Edward F. Holden, master, head of the department of French.

Dorchester High School—Albert S. Perkins, master, head of the department of ancient languages; Milford S. Power, master, head of the department of mathematics.

East Boston High School—George D. Bussey, master, head of department of science; Charles W. Gerould, master, head of the department of English.

English High School—Frank O. Carpenter, master, head of the department of commercial branches; Samuel C. Smith, master, head of the department of history; William B. Snow, master, head of the department of modern languages; James E. Thomas, master, head of the department of English; Samuel F. Tower, master, head of the department of science; Henry M. Wright, master, head of the department of mathematics.

Girls' High School—Thomas H. H. Knight, master, head of the department of commercial branches.

South Boston High School—William I. Corthell, master, head of the department of history; James Mahoney, master, head of the department of English.

West Roxbury High School—George A. Cowen, master, head of the department of science; George F. Partridge, master, head of the department of German.

Agassiz District—Katherine E. Cufflin, as

sistant, kindergarten.

George Putnam District—Elizabeth A. Wood, assistant.

Henry L. Pierce District—Gertrude F. Briggs, first assistant, kindergarten.

Mary Hemenway District—Evelyn G. McGinley, assistant.

Rice District—Dorothy Taft, assistant. Manual Training—Ella L. Bresnehan, assistant instructor. Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1907-08.

Eliot School—Arthur L. Gould, first assistant; Helen M. Cleveland, Alice M. Deehan, Annie Lynch, Ida A. Merriam, Fannie W. Weeks, assistants; Philipas P. Apostolopoulos, Joseph DeMarco, Hyman Morrison, interpreters, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Wells School—Charles E. Harris, first assistant; Sidney E. Bailey, Sara G. Bissell, Mary E. Coveney, David Fliegelman, assistants; Solomon Feingold, Louis Levin, James P. Oppenheim, Alfred A. Sifton, interpreters, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Henry L. Pierce District—Alice L. Brummett, assistant, kindergarten, to the same position in the Martin District, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Minot District—Annie H. Gardner, assistant, to the same position in the Everett District, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Prince District—Julia L. Frank, assistant, to the same position in the Martin District, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Sherwin District—Fannie D. Lane, assistant, to the same position in the Minot District, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Placed on file.

ATTENDANT IN A KINDERGARTEN.

John A. Andrew District—(John Boyle O'Reilly Kindergarten), Mary G. Hurley, from Mar. 3, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Charlestown High School—Jennie V. Richardson, assistant instructor of commercial branches, from Apr. 3 until May 4, 1908.

English High School—John J. Cadigan, junior-master, Mar. 30, 1908, one-half day.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Josephine Hammond, first assistant, from Apr. 1 to 3, 1908, inclusive, three days.

High School of Commerce—Oscar C. Gallagher, master, Mar. 12, 1908, one day.

South Boston High School—Mary L. Green, assistant, Mar. 24, 1908, one day.

Bennett District—Margaret T. McCabe, first assistant, kindergarten, from Mar. 19 until July 1, 1908.

Bigelow District—Martha A. Goodrich, assistant, Mar. 30, 1908, one day; Julia A. Rourke, assistant, Mar. 11, 1908, one-half day.

Bowditch District—Annie M. Johnson, assistant, Mar. 6, 1908, one day; Mary E. MacDonald, assistant, Mar. 12, 1908, one-half day; Anna E. Marble, first assistant, kindergarten, from May 1 until July 1, 1908.

Bowdoin District—Sarah E. Brown, assistant, from Apr. 12 to 16, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Brimmer District—Grace F. Gardner, assistant, Mar. 23, 1908, one day.

Charles Sumner District—Alice M. Barton, assistant, Mar. 25, 1908, one-half day; Maude C. Hartnett, assistant, Mar. 25 and 26, 1908, two days; Alice J. Jewett, assistant, Mar. 31, 1908, one-half day; Mary E. Roome, assistant, Mar. 9, 26, 27 and 30, 1908, four days.

Dearborn District—Abby E. Flagg, as-

sistant, Mar. 19, 1908, one day; Kate A. Nason, assistant, from Mar. 16 until May 4, 1908; Ellen M. Oliver, assistant, from Mar. 18 until Apr. 16, 1908.

Dillaway District—Anna M. Balch, first assistant in charge, Mar. 17, 1908, one day; Carolena C. Richards, assistant, from Feb. 28 until May 1, 1908.

Dwight District—Emma F. Gallagher, first assistant in charge, from Mar. 2 to 13, 1908, inclusive, ten days.

Edward Everett District—Hildegard Fick, assistant, Mar. 26 and 27, 1908, two days.

Elliot District—Carrie A. Waugh, first assistant in charge, Mar. 17, 1908, one day; Katharine G. Sutliff, Mar. 13, 1908, one-half day.

Emerson District—Edith A. Duclos, assistant, Apr. 13, 1908, one day; Lena A. Sherwood, assistant, Apr. 2 and 3, 1908, two days.

Everett District—Louise Robinson, first assistant in charge, Apr. 1, 1908, one-half day; Emily T. Kelleher, assistant, from Mar. 21 until July 1, 1908.

Franklin District—Ruth D. Stevens, assistant, Mar. 23, 1908, one day.

Frothingham District—Phebe A. DeLande, first assistant, kindergarten, from Mar. 13 to 18, 1908, inclusive, four days, and Mar. 27, 1908, one day.

Hancock District—F. Maud Briggs, assistant, Mar. 23, 1908, one-half day; Sophia G. Whalen, Mar. 26 and 27, 1908, two days.

Henry L. Pierce District—Flora C. Woodman, assistant, Mar. 19, 1908, one-half day.

Hyde District—Helen Perry, assistant, Mar. 16, 1908, one-half day; Augusta M. Wood, assistant, from Apr. 6 until July 1, 1908.

Lewis District—Anna F. Bayley, assistant, Mar. 6, 1908, one-half day; Mary E. Howard, assistant, Mar. 9 to 13, 1908, inclusive, five days; Edward J. Muldoon, assistant, Mar. 11, 1908, one-half day.

Longfellow District—Helen M. Fogarty, assistant, Mar. 30, 1908, one day; Elnora O. C. Standish, assistant, Mar. 25, 1908, one-half day.

Minot District—Fannie D. Lane, assistant, from May 1 until July 1, 1908.

Norcross District—Eleanor J. Cashman, first assistant in charge, Mar. 30, 1908, one-half day; Kate E. Fitzgerald, assistant, Mar. 26, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips Brooks District—Florence Cahill, assistant, from Apr. 13 until July 1, 1908.

Prescott District—Mary R. Fitzgerald, assistant, Mar. 9, 1908, one day.

Prince District—Manetta W. Penney, assistant, Mar. 16, 1908, one day.

Quincy District—Theresa A. Mullen, assistant, Mar. 5, 1908, one-half day; Lillian D. Peirce, assistant, Mar. 9, 1908, one day.

Robert G. Shaw District—Blanche J. Conner, assistant, from Mar. 20 until Apr. 17, 1908.

Roger Wolcott District—Helen F. Farrell, assistant, Mar. 16, 1908, one day.

Sherwin District—Elizabeth F. Todd, assistant, Mar. 13, 1908, one-half day; Beulah S. Cone, assistant, kindergarten, from Mar. 2 to 10, 1908, inclusive, seven days.

Shurtleff District—Katharine S. Haskell, assistant, kindergarten, Mar. 13, 1908, one day.

Thomas Gardner District—Elva E. Buck, assistant, Mar. 11, 12 and 13, 1908, three days.

Thomas N. Hart District—Margaret J. Stewart, master's assistant, Mar. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Mary B. Powers, assistant, from Mar. 2 until Apr. 1, 1908; Mae E. Wigley, first assistant, kindergarten, from Mar. 2 until Apr. 13, 1908.

Warren District—Ellen A. Pratt, assistant, from Apr. 2 until July 1, 1908; Annie A. F. Mellich, assistant, Mar. 16 and 17, 1908, two days; Rosalind W. Henderson, assistant, kindergarten, Mar. 2, 11 and 18, 1908, three days.

Washington District—Josephine F. Joyce, first assistant in charge, Mar. 25, 1908, one-

half day; Katherine L. King, first assistant, primary school, Mar. 6, 1908, one day; Elizabeth M. O'Donnell, assistant, from Apr. 13 to 24, 1908, inclusive, ten days; Myra K. Parker, assistant, Mar. 24, 1908, one-half day.

Wells District—Nellie M. Durgin, assistant, Mar. 11 and 12, 1908, two days; Alice Dunn, assistant, Mar. 13, 1908, one-half day.

Manual Training—Celia B. Hallstrom, instructor, Mar. 23, 1908, one-half day.

Sewing—Katherine M. Mahoney, teacher, Mar. 17, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study and travel, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909:—

West Roxbury High School—Catherine L. Bigelow, special instructor of physical training, for study.

William E. Russell District—Nellie J. Breed, master's assistant, for study and travel.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted each of the following-named teachers for the term specified and upon the conditions stated:—

Bunker Hill District—Anastasia F. Murphy, assistant, Mar. 16, 1908, one day, without pay.

Mather District—Bessie MacBride, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, without pay; Julia F. Baker, first assistant, kindergarten, from Apr. 1 until Sept. 1, 1908, without pay.

Sherwin District—Isabel M. Brown, assistant, from Apr. 21 until July 31, 1908, inclusive, with the usual deduction of pay, and from Aug. 1 until Oct. 31, 1908, inclusive, without pay.

Supervisor of Practice—Gertrude E. Bigelow, from Mar. 30 until Apr. 3, 1908, inclusive, five days, without loss of pay.

ACTING PRINCIPAL AND MASTER'S ASSISTANT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, reporting that he had designated the following-named teachers to fill the positions specified until they have been otherwise filled in accordance with the rules and regulations:—

Comins District—Thomas J. Sheahan, sub-master, to act as principal, the master being absent on account of illness, from Mar. 20, 1908.

Lowell District—Rebecca Coulter, assistant, to act as master's assistant, the place being temporarily vacant, from Jan. 4, 1908.

Placed on file.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of one hundred forty-seven minors to be licensed to sell newspapers and of five to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of a minor to sell newspapers for violation of the conditions on which said license was granted.

Approved.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT, OFFICES OF SUPERINTENDENT AND BUSINESS AGENT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, stating that, subject to the approval of the

Board, Margaret Flynn had been appointed as an assistant in the offices of the Superintendent and Business Agent, to date from Apr. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

LECTURES ON METHODS OF TEACHING ARITHMETIC.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding twelve dollars (\$12) in addition to the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300), the expenditure of which has already been authorized, to provide for teachers of the lower grades in elementary schools, lectures and lessons on methods of teaching arithmetic.

DEATH OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, reporting the death of Michael J. Burke, janitor of the Adams School-house, which occurred on Apr. 5, 1908.

Placed on file.

JANITORSHIP, ALBERT PALMER AND PORTABLE NO. 62 SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Albert Palmer and Portable No. 62 School-houses, and recommending the transfer of Michael Glasheen, janitor of the Horace Mann School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Apr. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis the transfer of Michael Glasheen to said position was approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, B. F. TWEED SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the B. F. Tweed School-house, and recommending the transfer of Edward L. Menz, janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Apr. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the transfer of Edward L. Menz to said position was approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIPS, COOK AND COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, stating that there are no janitors in the service desirous of being considered for the vacancies in the Cook and Common-street School-houses, and recommending that requisition be made on the Civil Service Commission for the names of eligible men to fill these positions.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors

for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Adams School-house—Joseph Clemens, appointed assistant janitor from Apr. 6, 1908.

B. F. Tweed School-house—Thomas Landrigan, appointed from Apr. 2, 1908.

Comins and Portable No. 89 School-houses—Thomas Landrigan; amount due from Mar. 14 to 17, 1908, inclusive, \$11.47.

Common-street School-house — Thomas Edes, reappointed from Mar. 20, and from Mar. 30, 1908; amount due from Mar. 10 to 29, 1908, inclusive, \$26.67.

Cook School-house—William J. Flemming, appointed from Apr. 1, 1908.

Harris and Little Em'ly School-houses—John Merrill, reappointed from Mar. 24, 1908; amount due from Mar. 14 to 24, 1908, inclusive, \$23.97.

Rutland-street School-house—William J. Flemming, reappointed from Mar. 26, 1908; amount due from Mar. 16 to 31, 1908, inclusive, \$25.06.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Thomas Edes, Common-street School-house, from Mar. 10 to 29, 1908, inclusive, twenty-six and 67-100 dollars (\$26.67).

To William J. Flemming, Rutland-street School-house, from Mar. 16 to 31, 1908, inclusive, twenty-five and 6-100 dollars (\$25.06).

To Thomas Landrigan, Comins and Portable No. 89 School-houses, from Mar. 14 to 17, 1908, inclusive, eleven and 47-100 dollars (\$11.47).

To John Merrill, Harris and Little Em'ly School-houses, from Mar. 14 to 24, 1908, inclusive, twenty-eight and 97-100 dollars (\$28.97).

PAYMENT TO JAMES J. DONNELLY.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, enclosing a bill received from James J. Donnelly in the sum of \$27, for services rendered in heating part of the Old East Boston High School-house, used by the East Boston Evening Drawing School, from Nov. 20, 1907, until Apr. 3, 1908, and recommending that he be paid that amount.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Magenit, it was ORDERED, That there be paid to James J. Donnelly the sum of twenty-seven dollars (\$27) for services rendered in heating the rooms occupied by the East Boston Evening Drawing School from Nov. 20, 1907, to Apr. 3, 1908.

SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, of the services performed by the regular substitute janitor, during the period from Mar. 23 to Apr. 6, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES, SEPT. 1906 TO DATE.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Apr. 1, 1908, enclosing a comparative statement of appropriations, expenditures and balances for the first three months of the current financial year, as compared with the corresponding period for the preceding year, and diagrams illustrating the same.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston—Schoolhouse Department.
120 Boylston street,
Mar. 20, 1908.

To the School Committee,
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

In accordance with Chapter 450 of the Acts of 1907, and in compliance with your request, the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners returns herewith the list of items prepared by your Committee, showing the additional accommodation required for the year 1908, in the various school districts, having, in accordance with said Act, set against each item the amount which, in the opinion of this Board, will be required for additional accommodation in each of the school districts specified, including land therefor, when necessary, viz:—

1. Edward Everett District, Elementary school, upper grades...	\$125,000
2. Brimmer District, Elementary school, upper grades...	450,000
3. Elliot District, administrative office...	5,000
4. Blackinton District, Elementary school, upper grades...	140,000
5. Dudley District, Elementary school, lower grades...	105,000
6. Henry L. Pierce District, high school, (Dorchester High).....	125,000
7. Longfellow District, Elementary school, lower grades...	50,000
	\$1,000,000

In accordance with the provisions of said chapter 450 of the Acts of 1907, the Board has taken up the items "in the order designated by your Committee," and has continued "until the aggregate of said amount is equal to the limit of the amount which may be provided during the year under the provisions of Section Two of this Act."

I am,

Respectfully yours,
R. Clipston Sturgis,
Chairman.

Placed on file.

Mr. Brock offered the following:

ORDERED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of Chapter 450 of the Acts of 1907, the School Committee hereby determines one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to be the amount which it is necessary to have available during the present year for the purposes of meeting the expenses of constructing and furnishing high and elementary school buildings in the city of Boston, of enlarging high and elementary school buildings in said city so as to provide additional school accommodations, of acquiring land as sites for said buildings and additions and as yards therefor, and of preparing such yards for use; and the City Treasurer is hereby requested to issue and sell negotiable bonds of the city of Boston to said amount, the proceeds to be used for said expenses.

Passed by the following vote:—Yeas—5,
Nays—0.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was
ORDERED, That the payrolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of April, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Storrow.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING RATES, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, under date of Apr. 3, 1908, re-

ferring to the communication addressed by him to that company in accordance with the action of the Board at its last meeting, stating that the company understands that the Committee proposes to pay bills rendered at regular rates in the case of those buildings which under such rates will receive a lower price than the present one, whereas in the case of buildings whose bills will be slightly increased because of the cancellation of the former city contract, the Committee will insist upon the rates given in the contract, the result being that the company would become a party to rebates in the case of the latter buildings, and to a discrimination in their favor as against all other municipal buildings in towns and cities supplied by the company.

Placed on file.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR GAELIC CLASS.

A communication was received from P. H. Brogan and P. J. O'Daly, under date of Apr. 4, 1908, stating that upon the termination of the sessions of the Central Evening High School, the classes in Gaelic and Irish history formed an organization, for the purpose of carrying on these studies during the ensuing six months before the opening of the next evening school term, and requesting the use of a school room without charge for one session each week.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the application was approved until June 30, 1908, provided that the city shall not thereby assume any additional expense.

EXTENSION OF PHYSICAL TRAINING AND EXERCISES.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Board of Superintendents at the meeting of Mar. 2, 1908, containing a plan for the development and administration of physical training and exercises, athletics, sports, games and play in various buildings, yards and playgrounds under the control of the School Committee or upon other lands which it may have the right to use for this purpose, was taken from the table, amended in certain details in connection with the administration and operation of playgrounds, adopted, and placed on file.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the doors were opened.

TRANSFER OF A MATRON.

On motion of Mr. Brock, Margaret J. Elmore, matron of the East Boston High School, was transferred to the position of matron of the Normal School Group of Buildings to date from Apr. 13, 1908.

APPLICATION OF MARY E. THOMPSON FOR CERTIFICATE AND APPOINTMENT.

A communication was received from Mary E. Thompson, under date of Mar. 30, 1908, appealing from the action of the Board of Superintendents in refusing to grant her a substitute certificate, and requesting further employment as a teacher in the evening schools.

Placed on file.

PETITION OF HELENA M. DOHERTY.

A petition was received from Helena M. Doherty, under date of Apr. 6, 1908, for appointment as a regular teacher of sewing on full time and pay.

Placed on file.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, and under a suspension of the rules, the Board voted to hold its next regular meeting on Tues-

day, Apr. 21, instead of on Monday, Apr. 20, which is a legal holiday.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 12:10 o'clock A.M.
Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Apr. 21, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:55 o'clock P.M.

Present: All the members, except Messrs. Storow and Ellis.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, Mr. Brock was elected Chairman pro tempore.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of Apr. 6.

The appointments were approved.

GRADUATION EXERCISES CONFINED TO SCHOOLROOMS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council,
Apr. 9, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested to direct the Superintendent of Schools to make an inquiry into the advisability of confining graduation exercises to the schoolrooms, more especially with a view to diminishing the attending expenses to the parents of children participating in such graduation exercises; and further requesting said School Committee to transmit to this body a copy of the report of such inquiry.

Passed in Common Council, Apr. 9, 1908.

A true copy.

Attest: Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.
Referred to the Superintendent.

SAND GARDENS, WARD 16 AND PHILLIPS BROOKS SCHOOL YARDS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council,
Apr. 9, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested to make arrangements for setting up sand gardens in the yards of the various school-houses in Wd. 16, and in the yard of the Phillips Brooks School in Wd. 20.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen, April 13, concurred.

A true copy.

Attest: W. J. Doyle,
Asst. City Clerk.
Referred to the Superintendent.

SAND GARDENS, WARD 19.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council,
Apr. 9, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to establish sand gardens in as many of the school yards of Ward 19, as possible.

In Common Council, Apr. 9, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:—

Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.

Office of the Mayor, Apr. 10, 1908.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.

Referred to the Superintendent.

ADDITIONAL KINDERGARTEN, OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, with reference to the order passed at the meeting of Feb. 20, 1908, requesting said Commission to fit up a room in the Old Christopher Gibson Schoolhouse for the use of a kindergarten, stating that a new floor has been laid in the room designated, the necessary furniture installed, and the room occupied Apr. 13, 1908.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Washington District—Elizabeth M. O'Donnell, assistant, Apr. 27, 1908.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Dorchester High School—Katherine K. Marlow, assistant, Mar. 15, 1908.

Martin District—Margaret C. Seaver, assistant kindergarten, Apr. 13, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Bowditch District—Teresa E. Driscoll, from Mar. 17, 1908.

Dearborn District—Alma Boodro, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Cecilia V. Mara, Mar. 27 and 30, 1908, two days.

Rice District—Katherine E. Peard, kindergarten, Apr. 13, 1908, one day; A. Olive Wigley, kindergarten, from Apr. 14, 1908.

Roger Wolcott District—Mabel V. Mulrey, kindergarten, from Apr. 21, 1908.

Washington District—Mary T. Lynch, from Apr. 27, 1908.

Wells District—Elizabeth L. Prendergast, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Approved.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Brimmer District—Josephine A. Power, assistant.

Franklin District—Agnes G. R. Fitzsimmons, assistant.

Hugh O'Brien District—Thomas E. Kelly, assistant.

Hyde District—Helen E. Hermes, assistant.

Lewis District—Esther Babcock, assistant, kindergarten.

Roger Wolcott District—Irene A. Dooley, assistant.
Approved.

VACATION SCHOOLS, SEASON OF 1908.

Principals.

Louis W. Arnold.
Thomas J. Barry.
Joseph P. Cady.
Everett L. Getchell.
Joseph F. Gould.
Louis P. Nash.
William A. Reed.
F. Edwin Walter.
Laid over.

EMERGENCY LIST.

Florence E. Fisher.
Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Bowditch District—Alice B. Stephenson, assistant, Apr. 16, 1908, one-half day.
Brimmer District—Frances A. Putnam, assistant, from Mar. 13 to June 13, 1908.
Bunker Hill District—Angelia M. Knowles, assistant, from Apr. 12 to June 19, 1908.
Christopher Gibson District—William E. C. Rich, master, Apr. 24, 1908, one-half day.
Edward Everett District—Rose D. Hoyer, assistant, Mar. 13, 1908, one day.
Hancock District—Agnes G. Ryan, assistant, kindergarten, Apr. 3, 1908, one day.
Harvard District—Sarah R. Dodge, assistant, from Apr. 1 to July 1, 1908.
Horace Mann School—Desire E. Nickels, assistant, from Mar. 10 to Apr. 4, 1908.
Lincoln District—Alice F. Moore, assistant, from Jan. 27 to Mar. 26, 1908.
Longfellow District—Adalyn P. Henderson, assistant, from Apr. 1 to July 1, 1908.
Lowell District—Susan E. Chapman, assistant, from May 1 to June 19, 1908.
Lyman District—Leonora E. Scooley, assistant, from Apr. 20 to June 19, 1908.
Mather District—Ada Cushing, assistant, kindergarten, from Mar. 31 to June 19, 1908.
Phillips District—Katharine J. Burke, assistant, from Apr. 13 to July 1, 1908.
Shurtleff District—Ella G. Fitzgerald, assistant, Mar. 23 to Apr. 3, 1908, inclusive, ten days.
Thomas N. Hart District—Mae I. Wigley, first assistant, kindergarten, from Apr. 1 to May 4, 1908; Alice M. Desmond, assistant, Apr. 16, 1908, one-half day; Elizabeth S. Tash, assistant, kindergarten, Apr. 21, 1908, one day.
Warren District—Carrie F. Gammell, assistant, from Apr. 11 to July 1, 1908.
Cookery—Alice L. Manning, teacher, from Apr. 1 to July 1, 1908.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-four minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of two to be licensed to black boots, and of one to be licensed to act as a pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of a minor to sell newspapers for violation of the conditions on which said license was granted.

Approved.

ENLARGEMENT OF LOT, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, with reference to the petition of J. P. C. Winship, et al., that land be purchased for the enlargement of the lot of the Brighton High School, referred to him at the meet-

ing of Mar. 2, 1908, stating that it is desirable that the grounds of this school be enlarged, but that, owing to the necessity for new accommodations and the unusual expenditure required this year for fire protection, there is no money available for this purpose. He, therefore, recommends that this matter be given consideration next year.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to notify the petitioners accordingly.

ROOMS FOR NURSES IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, with reference to the communication from the Schoolhouse Commission, relative to providing accommodations for nurses in school buildings, and suggesting that additions to the Eliot and Warren School-houses be constructed, which would provide accommodations for nurses and also a teachers' room in each building, referred to him at the meeting of Feb. 20, 1908, reporting that he had given careful consideration to this question, and stating that the proposed addition to the Eliot School-house has been included in the list of buildings for which appropriations have been made this year.

Placed on file.

ENLARGEMENT OF YARD, QUINCY SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, relative to the order passed by the Common Council, requesting this Board to purchase the estates, 85 and 87 Hudson street and 92 Tyler street, for the enlargement of the yard of the Quincy School, and for the purpose of providing a suitable recreation ground for children, referred to him at the meeting of Apr. 6, 1908, reporting that it is highly desirable that the Quincy School Yard, as well as many other school yards in the city, should be enlarged, but that, owing to the necessity for new accommodations and the unusual expenditure required for fire protection this year, there is no money available for the purchase mentioned. He, therefore, recommends that the matter be given consideration next year.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be transmitted to the Common Council.

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING, WARD 9.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, relative to the order passed by the Common Council, requesting this Board to report to the Common Council upon the necessity and expediency of providing a new grammar school building in a suitable location in Ward 9, and suggesting that the estate of the Boston Female Asylum be secured for this purpose, referred to him at the meeting of Mar. 16, 1908, reporting that school accommodations for children in parts of Wards 7 and 9 will be provided by the Brimmer-Winthrop School-house, appropriation for which has been made this year.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be transmitted to the Common Council.

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING, ROXBURY.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, relative to the petition of Thomas M. Watson, et al., for the erection of a new elementary school building in Roxbury, referred to him at the meeting of Mar. 16,

1908, reporting that relief for the section covered by the petition will be furnished by the new elementary school building in the Dudley District, for which an appropriation has been made this year.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to notify the petitioners accordingly.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDY ACCESSIBLE TO BOSTON TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, with reference to the order passed at the meeting of Sept. 5, 1907, stating that he has received the following preliminary report from the committee of teachers appointed to investigate the opportunities for study accessible to Boston teachers:—

Your committee of teachers appointed at the request of the School Committee to "investigate opportunities for study accessible to Boston teachers, having specially in mind courses in evening and summer schools of such nature that teachers who so desire may obtain credit sufficient to complete a college course in a sabbatical year," begs leave to present this preliminary report in order that plans may be made for the work of 1908-9.

I. Your committee first made itself acquainted with the opportunities for collegiate work open to teachers in service outside of New England, and prepared a conspectus of the conditions under which the degrees of A. B. and A. M. are granted for such work at Columbia University, the University of Pennsylvania, and the University of Chicago.

II. A copy of this conspectus with a circular letter asking a favorable consideration of the opening of similar opportunities to the teachers of Boston was personally presented to the officials of all higher institutions within easy distance of the city.

III. These communications were not only cordially received but in many instances welcomed as an aid to the solution of the problem of teachers' courses upon which the colleges have been working with unsatisfactory results and as a movement leading to the cooperation of educational forces which will benefit the higher institutions as well as the lower schools.

IV. The colleges and universities in general express their willingness to admit teachers without examination, to give credit for all work of college grade, whether done in colleges or in normal schools, and to make every effort to meet the needs of the teachers as to hours, fees, and preferred courses.

V. While expressing entire sympathy with the movement and the most earnest desire to grant the request of your committee, the institutions addressed feel that they cannot make definite plans for classes and courses without the cooperation of an authorized representative of the school administration or of the teaching body, in order that the work offered may attract the largest possible number of teachers and the success of the undertaking be assured from the start.

VI. Your committee therefore respectfully recommends:—

1. That all teachers interested in collegiate or professional study be informed of the new opportunities open to them as soon as practicable.
2. That a representative official or committee of teachers be authorized to cooperate with the college officials in planning teachers' courses and other study classes for the year 1908-9.
3. That the teachers of Greater Boston be invited to share in the privileges afforded by this movement.

4. That the School Committee be requested to encourage the teaching body to undertake this work by:—

- a. Accepting certificates for college courses in lieu of promotional examinations.
- b. Recognizing such academic and professional study in the ranking of teachers.

VII. Your committee has also investigated opportunities for study in institutions not granting degrees, and finds them equally cordial in their attitude and liberal in their conditions.

In submitting this report your committee cannot sufficiently emphasize the importance which the higher institutions attach to this movement on the part of the school administration of Boston or their appreciation of its far-reaching benefits to the teaching profession and the cause of education in New England.

Florence E. Leadbetter,
Chairman.

Edwin F. A. Benson,
Joseph B. Egan,
Susan J. Ginn,
Jessie W. Kelly,
Alice G. Maguire,
H. Maude Marshall,
John F. McGrath,
Elizabeth W. O'Connor,
George W. Ransom,
Frederick W. Swan,
Sarah H. Williams.

Section VI. of this report makes four specific recommendations, three of which can easily be carried into effect if authorized by the Board. The fourth recommendation of this section is in accordance with the practice already in vogue in other cities.

Placed on file.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent be directed to carry into effect recommendations 1, 2 and 3 of section VI. of the preliminary report of the committee of teachers appointed to investigate opportunities for study accessible to Boston teachers.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That recommendation 4 of section VI. of the preliminary report of the committee of teachers appointed to investigate opportunities for study accessible to Boston teachers be referred to the Board of Superintendents for investigation and report.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR GRADUATION EXERCISES, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide suitable accommodations for the graduating exercises of the Mechanic Arts High School in June next, preferably by hiring Jordan Hall on Huntington avenue.

VACATION SCHOOLS AND PLAY-GROUNDS.

Season of 1908.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, reporting the establishment of the following vacation schools for the season of 1908, subject to the approval of the Board:—

1. Lyman.
2. Frothingham.
3. Hancock.
4. Washington.
5. Shurtleff.
6. Thomas N. Hart.
7. Comins.
8. William E. Russell.

Approved, and placed on file.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That during the season of 1908, playgrounds shall be conducted under the direction of the department of school hygiene as follows:—

Schoolyard Playgrounds.

From May 4 to June 29, and from Sept. 9 to Nov. 25, from close of school until 5.30 o'clock P.M.

From July 6 to Sept. 9, from 9 o'clock A.M. until 5.30 o'clock P.M. daily.

On Saturdays and holidays, morning sessions only:

Adams and Chestnut Sts. School, Adams and Chestnut Sts., Charlestown.

Benjamin Dean School, H and Sixth Sts., South Boston.

Bigelow School, Fourth and E Sts., South Boston.

Brimmer School, Common St., near Washington St., City Proper.

Clinch School, F and Seventh Sts., South Boston.

Comins School, Terrace and Tremont Sts., Roxbury.

Cudworth School, Gove and Paris Sts., East Boston.

Cyrus Alger School, Seventh St., near C St., South Boston.

Emerson School, Prescott and Bennington Sts., East Boston.

Franklin School, Waltham and Ringgold Sts., South End.

Frothingham School, Prospect and Edgeworth Sts., Charlestown.

Hancock School, Parmenter St. near Salem St., North End.

Hugh O'Brien School, Dudley and Langdon Sts., Roxbury.

James Otis School, Paris, Marion and Morris Sts., East Boston.

Lincoln School, Broadway, near K St., South Boston.

Lyman School, Paris and Gove Sts., East Boston.

Norcross School, D and Fifth Sts., South Boston.

Phillips Brooks School, Quincy and Fayston Sts., Dorchester.

Phillips School, Phillips and Anderson Sts., West End.

Polk St., near Medford St., Charlestown.

Prescott School, Elm St., near Medford St., Charlestown.

Quincy School, Tyler St., near Harvard St., City Proper.

Skinner School, Fayette and Church Sts., City Proper.

Thomas N. Hart School, H and East Fifth Sts., South Boston.

Washington School, Norman and So. Margin Sts., West End.

Washington Allston School, Cambridge St. near Harvard Avenue, Brighton.

William E. Russell School, Columbia Road near Edward Everett Square, Dorchester.

William Wirt Warren School, Waverly St. near Market St., Brighton.

Park Playgrounds.

During the entire year: the periods and hours daily subject to the direction of the Superintendent of Schools:—

Charlestown Playground, near Sullivan Square, Charlestown.

Cottage St. Playground, near Maverick St., East Boston.

First St. Playground, corner of M St., South Boston.

Randolph St. Playground, corner of Albany and Randolph Sts., City Proper.

Columbus Ave. Playground, Columbus Ave., South End.

Marcella St. Playground, corner of Ritchie St., Roxbury.

From May 4 until Nov. 25, at such hours and such periods as the Superintendent may direct:—

Prince St. Playground, Prince and North Bennet Sts., North End.

Fellows St. Playground, Fellows and Hunneman Sts., City Proper.

Neponset Playground, Neponset Ave., Dorchester.

Mystic Playground, Chelsea St. and Mystic River, Charlestown.

Strandway Playground, near Newman St. on Columbia Road, South Boston.

Commonwealth Park Playground, C, D, and Cypher Sts., South Boston.

North Brighton Playground, Western Ave. and Harvard St., North Brighton.

Rogers Park Playground, Lake and Foster Sts., Brighton.

Billings Field Playground, Lagrange St., near Centre St., West Roxbury.

Roslindale Playground, South Walter and Robert Sts., West Roxbury.

Christopher Gibson Playground, Dorchester Ave. and Park St., Dorchester.

Ashmont Playground, between Melbourne and Wainwright Sts., Dorchester.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the course of study in vacation schools for the season of 1908 be as follows:—

Music.

Cardboard Construction and Paper Work. Sewing and Elementary Dressmaking.

Elementary Millinery.

Braiding, Weaving and Basketry.

Drawing and Color Work.

Nature Study and Field Work with excursions.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the compensation of teachers and other employees in the vacation schools during the season of 1908 be established at the following rates:—

Principals (per day).....	\$4.00
Teachers of the rank of first assistant (per day)	2.00
Teachers of the rank of assistant (per day) ..	1.00
Matrons in buildings (per day).....	1.00
Janitors of schools occupying four rooms or less (per week).....	5.00
Janitors of schools occupying more than four rooms, for each additional room (per week) ..	.50

When the assembly hall is used it is to be reckoned as equivalent to three class rooms. Payments to janitors are to be based upon number of class rooms actually in use.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the compensation of teachers and of janitors employed in playgrounds during the season of 1908, shall be established at the following rates:—

Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds (men) (two sessions).....	\$5.00
Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds (men) (morning session).....	3.00
Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds (men) (afternoon session).....	2.00
Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds (men) (from close of school until 5:30 o'clock P.M.).....	1.50

First Assistants in playgrounds (men) (two sessions)	\$3.00
First Assistants in playgrounds (men) (one session).....	2.00
First Assistants in playgrounds (men) (from close of school until 5:30 P.M.).....	1.50
First Assistants in playgrounds (women) (two sessions).....	2.00
First Assistants in playgrounds (women) (one session).....	1.20
First Assistants in playgrounds (women) (from close of school until 5:30 P.M.).....	1.00

Assistants in playgrounds (two sessions).....	\$1.25
Assistants in playgrounds (one session).....	.75

Assistants in sand gardens (two sessions)....	\$.75
Assistants in playgrounds (one session).....	.75

Assistants in sand gardens (two sessions)....	\$.75
Assistants in sand gardens (one session).....	.50

Playteachers (men) (morning session).....\$2.00
 Playteachers (men) (from close of school until 5:30 P.M.)..... 1.50

Janitors of yards used for playgrounds or sand gardens, including one room or basement (per week).....\$5 00
 Janitors of yards used for playgrounds or sand gardens where building is also occupied as a school (per week)..... 1.50
 Payments to be based upon number of classrooms actually used, at the rate for each additional room (per diem) of..... .07
 Laid over.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the hours of duty of teachers and janitors employed in playgrounds during the season of 1908, unless otherwise specified, shall be as follows:—

Teachers: Three hours a day in playgrounds having one daily session, and eight hours a day in playgrounds having two daily sessions, at such times between eight o'clock A.M. and six o'clock P.M. as the Superintendent may direct.

Janitors: Four hours a day in playgrounds having one daily session, and eight hours a day in playgrounds having two daily sessions, at such times between eight o'clock A.M. and six o'clock P.M. as the Superintendent may direct.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the days and hours on which each playground shall be conducted during the season of 1908 may be altered, or the playgrounds discontinued, at the discretion of the Superintendent.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the principals of vacation schools shall perform the duties of supervisors of playgrounds during the morning sessions of playgrounds assigned to them, without extra compensation other than that received by them as principals of vacation schools; and that janitors shall similarly discharge the duties of janitors of playgrounds.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent shall have authority to make such emergency appointments as may be necessary for service in the vacation schools or playgrounds during the season of 1908.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That any teacher whose name appears in the list of teachers appointed in playgrounds during the season of 1908 may be transferred by the Director of School Hygiene from one position to another, for which said teacher holds the required certificate, and said teacher shall be paid according to the schedule established for the position actually filled during any day or part of day, as certified to by the Director of School Hygiene.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That any teacher whose name appears in the list of teachers appointed in vacation schools during the season of 1908 may be transferred by the Director of Evening and Vacation Schools from one position to another, for which said teacher holds the required certificate, and said teacher shall be paid according to the schedule established for the position actually filled during any day or part of day as certified to by the Director of Evening and Vacation Schools.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That during the season of 1908 pupils under ten years of age shall be

enrolled in the vacation schools only in courses in gymnastics and games, under the control of the department of school hygiene.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Director of Evening and Vacation Schools be requested to cooperate with the department of school hygiene in the maintenance and conduct of schoolyard playgrounds during the vacation school season of 1908.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 145, paragraph 4. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

4. The names of persons appointed as substitutes, as temporary teachers, as special assistants in elementary schools, or as teachers in evening or vacation schools, or in playgrounds, shall not be removed from their respective eligible lists because of such appointment.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 297. Strike out the section and insert in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 297. 1. Teachers in vacation schools shall consist of principals, first assistants, and assistants.

2. Principals of vacation schools shall be appointed in April. In June of each year the Superintendent shall appoint, with the approval of the Board, a list of other teachers in vacation schools. All teachers in vacation schools shall be assigned from this list by the Superintendent.

3. The Superintendent shall appoint, with the approval of the Board, a list of substitute teachers for vacation schools, from which list he shall fill all vacancies that may occur in such schools.

4. Principals of and first assistants in vacation schools must hold a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class B, or a higher certificate. Assistants in vacation schools must hold a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class B, or a higher certificate, or a kindergarten certificate, or a special certificate. The provisions of this paragraph shall not operate to prevent the reappointment to a position of equal rank in subsequent years of persons employed in vacation schools during and before the year 1906.

5. No woman teacher holding a permanent position in a public day school shall serve in a vacation school.

6. Each vacation school shall be entitled to one principal, and not more than five first assistants. The whole number of teachers in each school, exclusive of the principal, shall not exceed one for each thirty pupils in attendance. Teachers shall be dismissed by the director of evening and vacation schools at the end of any week in which the average attendance has fallen below the number justifying their employment; except, that in case of an unusually large number of absences arising from peculiar causes not extending beyond one day in a single week, the director of evening and vacation schools may continue for another week to employ the number of teachers justified by the average attendance on the other days of the week in which said unusual absence occurred.

7. The period during which vacation schools should be conducted, and their days and hours of sessions, shall be such as the Board may each year determine.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Renumber Section 298 as Section 299, and the remaining sections of Chapter XIII. accordingly.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Add a section to be numbered Section 298.

Sec. 298. 1. Teachers in playgrounds shall consist of instructors in athletics, assistant instructors in athletics, supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds, play teachers, first assistants in playgrounds, assistants in playgrounds, and assistants in sand gardens.

2. In April of each year the Superintendent shall appoint, with the approval of the Board, a list of teachers of playgrounds. All teachers of playgrounds shall be assigned from this list by the superintendent.

3. In June of each year the Superintendent shall appoint, with the approval of the Board, a list of substitute teachers in playgrounds, from which list he shall fill all vacancies that may occur in playgrounds between June 15 and Sept. 15.

4. Instructors in athletics and assistant instructors in athletics must hold a certificate of qualification including those positions. Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds and play teachers must hold a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class B, or a higher certificate. First assistants in playgrounds must hold a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class B, or a higher certificate, or a special physical training certificate for high schools. Assistants in playgrounds and assistants in sand gardens must hold a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class B, or a higher certificate, or a kindergarten certificate, or a special physical training certificate for high schools, or have been pupils in regular attendance in the Boston Normal School during the preceding year, or have had one year's experience prior to June 1, 1906, in vacation schools or playgrounds maintained by the city of Boston.

5. The period during which playgrounds shall be conducted, and their days and hours of session, shall be such as the Board may each year determine.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 303, paragraph 1. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

1. There shall be a director of school hygiene, three assistant directors of physical training and athletics, six instructors in athletics, and as many special instructors in physical training, special assistant instructors in athletics, supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds, play teachers, first assistants in playgrounds, assistants in playgrounds, and assistants in sand gardens, as the Board may from time to time authorize.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 419. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sec. 419. 1. Assistant directors of physical training and athletics, special instructors in physical training, special assistant instructors in physical training,

instructors in athletics, assistant instructors in athletics, supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds, play teachers, first assistants in playgrounds, assistants in playgrounds, and assistants in sand gardens shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them by the director of school hygiene.

2. The assistant directors of physical training and athletics, and instructors in athletics, shall be entitled to four weeks' vacation in each calendar year, to be taken at such time or times as the director of school hygiene may appoint.

Laid over.

COURSE OF STUDY, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Apr. 17, 1908, recommending that School Document No. 7, 1907, Course of Study for the High School of Commerce, be amended as follows:—

Page 10. Third year: Add as an elective subject, Plane Geometry, 4 periods per week.

Page 11. Fourth year: Omit Algebra and Plane Geometry as required subjects. Add as a required subject, Economics, Applications, Business Organizations, etc., 4 periods per week. Omit Economics, Applications, Business Organizations, etc., as an elective subject. Add, as an elective subject, Solid Geometry and Plane Trigonometry, 4 periods per week.

Placed on file, and the course of study amended accordingly.

DAILY FIRE DRILLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Apr. 17, 1908, relative to the order of the Common Council, requesting this Board to issue an order making it compulsory upon principals of all schools equipped with proper fire escapes to conduct daily drills of the pupils on such escapes, referred to said Board at the meeting of Apr. 6, 1908, reporting that it has given consideration to the matter and is of the opinion that daily fire drills of pupils are unnecessary. The present regulation which prescribes that fire drills shall be given at irregular and unexpected times at least once each month during the school year in all buildings that are two or more stories in height is very carefully observed, and it does not seem advisable to interrupt the work of the schools by daily drills of this character.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be transmitted to the Common Council.

JANITORSHIPS, COOK AND COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Apr. 9, 1908, stating that, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Apr. 6, he had made requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of persons eligible for appointment to the positions of janitor of the Cook and Common-street School-houses, and that the following-named persons have been certified:—Joseph P. Niland, John J. Holthaus, Michael J. Murphy, and Michael E. Colleary.

Placed on file.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, stating that he had interviewed the candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission for positions as janitors of the Cook and Common-street School-houses, and recommending that John J. Holthaus, who stands second on the list, be appointed to the janitorship of the Common-street School-house, to date from Apr. 25, 1908, and that Michael E. Colleary, who stands fourth on the list, be appointed to the

janitorship of the Cook School-house, to date from May 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the appointment of John J. Holthaus to the janitorship of the Common-street School-house was approved from the date stated.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the appointment of Michael E. Colleary to the janitorship of the Cook School-house was approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, ADAMS SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Adams School-house, and recommending the transfer of Francis P. Linnehan, janitor of the Harris and Little Emly School-houses, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from May 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of Francis P. Linnehan to said position approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, JOSHUA BATES PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE NO. 20.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, stating that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Joshua Bates Portable School-house No. 20, which was recently reopened for school purposes, he had appointed temporarily Michael Dundon, janitor of the main building, and recommending that he be regularly appointed to the position, to date from Apr. 9, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the appointment of Michael Dundon to said position approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Horace Mann School-house, and recommending the transfer of George F. Wheeler, janitor of the Emerson Primary and Portable School-houses, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Apr. 17, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of George F. Wheeler to said position approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house, and recommending the transfer of John A. Downey, janitor of the Harvard Hill School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from May 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the transfer of John A. Downey to said position was approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, GRANT SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, stating that there are no applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Grant School-house, and recommending that requisition be made upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of eligible candidates for said position.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Adams School-house—Joseph Clemens, reappointed from Apr. 16, 1908; amount due from Apr. 6 to 11, 1908, inclusive, \$15, and from Apr. 12 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$5.33.

Albert Palmer and Portable No. 62 School-houses—Edward Powers, appointed from Apr. 12, 1908; amount due from Apr. 12 to 16, 1908, inclusive, \$10.33.

B. F. Tweed School-house—Thomas Landrigan, reappointed from Apr. 12, 1908; amount due from Apr. 2 to 16, 1908, inclusive, \$28.50.

Common-street School-house — Thomas Edes, reappointed from Apr. 10 and from Apr. 20, 1908; amount due from Mar. 30 to Apr. 19, 1908, inclusive, \$25.33.

Cook School-house—William J. Flemming, reappointed from Apr. 11 and from Apr. 21, 1908; amount due from Apr. 1 to 20, 1908, inclusive, \$26.

Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses—Francis Butler, appointed from Apr. 20, 1908; amount due for Apr. 20 and 21, 1908, \$3.27.

Grant School-house—Philip Maguire, appointed from Apr. 16, 1908.

Horace Mann School-house—George F. Wheeler, appointed from Apr. 17, 1908.

Joshua Bates Portable No. 20 School-house—Michael Dundon, appointed from Apr. 9, 1908, reappointed from Apr. 19, 1908.

Walnut-street School-house—Thomas Landrigan, appointed from Apr. 17, 1908.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Francis Butler, Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses, for Apr. 20 and 21, 1908, three and 27-100 dollars (\$3.27).

To Joseph Clemens, Adams School-house, from Apr. 6 to 11, 1908, inclusive, fifteen dollars (\$15), and from Apr. 12 to 15, 1908, inclusive, five and 33-100 dollars (\$5.33).

To Thomas Edes, Common-street School-house, from Mar. 30 to Apr. 19, 1908, inclusive, twenty-five and 33-100 dollars (\$25.33).

To William J. Flemming, Cook School-house, from Apr. 1 to 20, 1908, inclusive, twenty-six dollars (\$26).

To Thomas Landrigan, B. F. Tweed School-house, from Apr. 2 to 16, 1908, inclusive, twenty-eight and 50-100 dollars (\$28.50).

To Edward Powers, Albert Palmer and Portable No. 62 School-houses, from Apr. 12 to 16, 1908, inclusive, ten and 33-100 dollars (\$10.33).

RESIGNATION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, enclosing the resignation of Annie Harold, janitor of the Grant School-house, from Apr. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, of the services performed by the regular substitute janitor, during the period from Apr. 7 to 21, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file.

PAYMENT TO ISAAC NEWTON.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, enclosing a bill from Isaac Newton in the sum of \$8.60, for cleaning the windows of the B. F. Tweed School-house, and recommending that the same be paid.

Placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That there be paid to Isaac Newton, for services rendered in cleaning the windows of the B. F. Tweed School-house, the sum of eight and 60-100 dollars (\$8.60).

TUITION OF NON-RESIDENT PUPILS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Apr. 21, 1908, with reference to the tuition of non-resident pupils attending the public schools.

Laid over.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO A TRUANT OFFICER.

A communication was received from John H. Westfall, truant officer, requesting that he be granted leave of absence, without pay, on Apr. 27 and 28, 1908, because of important personal matters.

Placed on file, and leave of absence granted accordingly.

PLAYGROUND FOR HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That this Board hereby extends its cordial thanks to Hon. Winslow Warren, Trustee of the Longwood Avenue Land Trust, for his kindness in permitting the temporary use of vacant land on Worthington street, adjoining the Normal School Group of Buildings, for playground purposes by pupils attending the High School of Commerce, and expresses its sincere appreciation of the privilege which he has so cheerfully granted.

COMMUNICATION FROM ELIOT EVENING SCHOOL PUPILS.

A communication was received under date of Apr. 4, 1908, from a committee representing pupils of Greek birth or extraction attending the Eliot Evening School, stating their objections to a part of the exercises which took place in that school on the evening of Apr. 2, 1908.

Placed on file.

ELECTION OF ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board proceeded to the election of an Assistant Superintendent, for the term of six years, to date from Sept. 1, 1908.—

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For AUGUSTINE L. RAFTER: Messrs. Brock, Magenis and Scannell—3.

The Chairman declared Augustine L. Rafter elected Assistant Superintendent for the term specified.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board proceeded to the election of an Assistant Superintendent to succeed Mrs. Ellor Carlisle Ripley, whose resignation was accepted at the meeting of June 25, 1907, to take effect on the appointment of her successor, for the unexpired portion of her term beginning May 1, 1908, and ending Aug. 31, 1911.

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For ELLOR CARLISLE RIPLEY: Messrs. Brock, Magenis and Scannell—3.

The Chairman declared Mrs. Ellor Carlisle Ripley duly elected Assistant Superintendent for the term specified.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 9:20 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

May 4, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:34 o'clock P.M.
Present: All the members.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE.

Pending the arrival of the Chairman, Mr. Brock, on motion, was elected Chairman pro tempore.

AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the records of the last meeting were amended by striking out in the last order on page 72 the twenty-eight and twenty-ninth lines, viz.:

Assistants in sand gardens (two sessions)	\$.75
Assistants in playgrounds (one session)	.75

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records was omitted, the Board approving them as printed as amended.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of vacation school principals for the season of 1908, as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis and Scannell—4.
Nays—0.

Mr. Storrow arrived and assumed the chair.

ELECTION OF ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS.

Messrs. Ellis and Storrow, who were absent at the previous meeting of the Board, at which meeting Mr. Rafter was elected an assistant superintendent for the term of six years, to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and Mrs. Ripley an assistant superintendent for the unexpired portion of her term, beginning May 1, 1908, and ending Aug. 31, 1911, stated that they desired their votes recorded in favor of the aforesaid elections, and with the consent of the Board, such entry was ordered to be made on the minutes of this meeting.

LIGHTING OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAMBER.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Apr. 22, 1908, relative to the order passed at the meeting of Dec. 16, 1907, requesting said Board to improve the lighting of the School Committee Chamber, stating that already improved electric lighting has been installed with temporary connections, and that during the coming summer permanent improvement will be made, which will no doubt prove satisfactory.

Placed on file.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR GRADUATING EXERCISES, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of May 1, 1908, relative to the order passed at the meeting of Apr. 21, 1908, requesting said Board to provide suitable accommodations for the graduating exercises of the Mechanic Arts High School, preferably by hiring Jordan Hall on Huntington avenue, stating that said hall has been hired in accordance with the order.

Placed on file.

PARK PLAYGROUNDS.

A communication was received from the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Parks, under date of May 4, 1908, prescribing regulations or conditions relating to the control of the playgrounds transferred from said Board to the School Committee, as provided in section 2 of chapter 295 of the Acts of 1907.

Placed on file.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Ellis, the Chairman and Mr. Magenis were appointed a committee to make a reply to the Board of Park Commissioners, expressing the sentiments of this Board on the subject.

DEATHS.

The Superintendent reported the death of the following-named teachers, which occurred on the dates stated:—

George Putnam District—Sarah E. French, assistant, Apr. 14, 1908.

Lawrence District—Mary E. McMann, assistant, Apr. 27, 1908.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Dearborn District—Annie S. Irvin, assistant, May 1, 1908.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Dudley District—Alice M. Crowell, assistant, Apr. 21, 1908.

Rice District—Willena E. Browne, assistant, kindergarten, Apr. 13, 1908.
Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Lawrence District—Janet H. Jordan, from Apr. 28, 1908.

Lyman District—Alice J. Moran, from Feb. 24, 1908.

Robert G. Shaw District—Anna E. Fiske, kindergarten, from Apr. 21, 1908.
Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dearborn District—Teresa C. Hoyer, assistant, from May 1, 1908.

George Putnam District—Marguerite F. Lally, assistant, from Apr. 15, 1908.

Lawrence District—Joseph A. F. O'Neill, assistant, from Apr. 28, 1908.

Sherwin District—Mary J. O'Neill, assistant, from May 5, 1908.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Bowdoin District—Frances A. Neilson, assistant, from May 28, 1908.

Martin District—Edward L. Curran, assistant (under a special order), from May 18, 1908.

Approved.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Dorchester High School—Sarah L. O'Toole, assistant instructor.
High School of Commerce—F. Edwin Walter, special instructor of commercial branches.

Dwight District—Lillian M. Bonelli, assistant, kindergarten.

Hancock District—Bertha V. Martin, assistant, kindergarten.

Hyde District—Ellen J. Brosnahan, assistant.

Minot District—Annie E. Harris, assistant.

Quincy District—Lillian M. Watts, assistant.

Robert G. Shaw District—Stella W. Seymour, assistant, kindergarten.

Roger Wolcott District—Nellie E. Briggs, assistant.

Approved.

TRANSFER.

Sherwin District—Clara S. Ziersch, assistant, to the same position in the Martin District, from May 5, 1908.

Placed on file.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1907-08.

Eliot School—Eleanor A. Larivee, assistant, from Apr. 13, 1908.

Approved.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Phillips Brooks District—(Howard-avenue Kindergarten), Della Lothrop, from Apr. 22, 1908.

Robert G. Shaw District—(Baker-street Kindergarten), Margaret Halloran, from Mar. 23 until Apr. 3, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUNDS.

Season of 1908.

Subsequently, the Superintendent presented the following appointments of teachers in playgrounds:—

Play Teachers.

William L. Bates, James A. Crowley, Edward L. Curran, William W. Howe, William T. Miller, Louis P. Nash, Edward F. O'Dowd, Walter J. Phelan, Edgar L. Raub, Joseph A. Reddy, William A. Reed, Joel W. Reynolds, Stanley A. Starratt, Frederick W. Swan.

Substitute Play Teachers.

John J. Cummings, W. Stanwood Field, Charles E. Harris, Theobald A. Lynch, John C. Riley, Allan L. Sedley.

First Assistants in Playgrounds.

Caroline B. Besarick, Florence A. Brady, Georgiana Charleston, Matilda J. Grauman, Regina P. Horton, William A. Hoyt, Lucy F. Hunter, Edmund E. Hynes, Natalie Irving, Vincent L. Kelley, Margaret M. Kenney, Mary B. Lane, Florence R. LeBlanc, Charles Miller, Mary L. Moran, Margaret Mountain, Stephen J. Murdock, Julia A. Murphy, Margaret M. O'Brien, John J. O'Donnell, Jr., Margaret M. O'Connor, Mary J. O'Neil, Elizabeth L. Prendergast, Alice M. Riley, Sarah Smith, Catherine A. Wilkinson, Florence M. Young.

Assistants in Playgrounds.

Mary A. J. Brady, Annie C. Coffee, Margaret F. Cummings, Harriet L. Dahl, Ella M. Dolben, Elizabeth A. Donahue, Mary F. Driscoll, Alice M. Duston, Rose J. Geggis, Josephine M. Haney, Ruth M. Haynes, Annie V. Hogan, Helen L. Irons, Frances C. Lamb, Raphaella M. Langone,

Margaret M. Lennon, Mary T. Lynch, Mary M. Macdonald, Margaret McBrien, George B. Moran, Marion Naihserges, Adelaide G. Nelson, Mary E. Nugent, Mary F. Powers, Agnes E. Reagan, Regina E. Rolfe, Honora G. Stack, Claire F. Sullivan, Alice M. Sweeney, Eileene A. Sweeney, Gertrude M. Tobin, Madeline M. Waxer.

Assistants in Sand Gardens.

Mary E. Alkern, Kathryn E. G. Barry, Mary L. Barry, Olive E. Barry, Evelyn E. Bickford, Mary E. Brennan, Angela M. L. Brown, Dorothy A. Busby, Mabel F. Carling, Margaret M. F. Conley, Eileen V. Driscoll, Frances A. English, Ella G. Finn, Annie H. Fitzgerald, Mary Fitzgerald, Frances M. Flanagan, Mary I. Foley, Mary M. Glennon, May M. Gordon, Anna L. Gormley, Helen H. Goulter, Agnes G. Gunning, Flora M. Hoyt, Josephine A. Hurley, Mary J. Hynes, Margaret M. Kelly, Marion F. Kiely, Grace E. Lalley, Edna K. Lane, Laura M. Lane, Gertrude A. LeBlanc, Catherine L. LeVins, Edna Long, Elizabeth J. Mahoney, Catherine M. McHugh, Marguerite M. McKenna, Anna M. Muldoon, Mary A. Mullin, Mabel V. Mulrey, Cecilia H. O'Brien, Mary J. O'Neil, Mary G. Rebholz, Margaret C. Regan, Edith F. Russell, Alice E. Stebbins, Mary A. Sullivan, Cecilia T. Tischler, Grace M. Welch, Frances R. Wilson, Iola D. Yates.

Substitute Assistants in Sand Gardens.

Elizabeth J. Barry, M. Frances Bell, Helen E. Brady, Helen M. Bulle, Margaret M. Breen, Elizabeth A. Burns, Gertrude K. Calnan, Mary E. Carrigan, Elizabeth M. Cleary, Emily V. Collins, Della M. Coneys, Margaret A. Connelly, Anna E. Dixon, Mary J. Donaher, Frances M. Donegan, Mary E. Doherty, Anna M. Doyle, Agnes J. Drea, Mabel F. Dunn, Elizabeth B. Faden, Alice L. Gannon, Helen P. Gorman, Grace A. Greene, Mary A. Hartigan, Blanche Hinds, Louise E. Hogan, Emma R. Kaplan, Regina J. Kees, Estelle K. Kennedy, Mary A. Kenney, Alice V. Kiely, Estelle R. Kieh, Marie Knowles, Margaret J. Lindsay, Kathryn A. Lyons, Mary A. Manning, Caroline L. McAlloon, Mary F. McAuliffe, Mary A. McLaughlin, Florence M. Miller, Helen G. Murphy, Marguerite V. Murphy, Gertrude V. Nugent, Catherine E. O'Mara, Mary M. O'Mara, Emma R. Plummer, Bessie L. Quinnby, Mary F. Sharkey, Annie C. Shea, Anna E. Shields, Jessie E. Smith, Gertrude A. Sullivan, Ethel M. Wilson.

Laid over.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Girls' High School—Elizabeth M. Richardson, assistant, Apr. 2 and 3, 1908, two days; Laura E. Richardson, assistant, Apr. 2 and 3, 1908, two days.

High School of Commerce—Raymond G. Laird, master, Apr. 16, 1908, one day.

Bennett District—Annie R. Cox, assistant, from May 4 until July 1, 1908.

Bigelow District—Julia A. Rourke, assistant, Apr. 28 and 30, 1908, two days.

Bowdoin District—Mary W. French, assistant, from Mar. 19 until June 20, 1908.

Christopher Gibson District—Rose E. A. Redding, first assistant in charge, Apr. 21 to 24, 1908, four days; Joseph T. F. Bur-rill, sub-master, Apr. 27, 1908, one-half day.

Comins District—William H. Martin, master, from Mar. 20 until Apr. 21, 1908.

Dearborn District—Ellen M. Oliver, assistant, from Apr. 17 until June 19, 1908.

Dudley District—L. Adelaide Colligan, assistant, from Apr. 13 until June 26, 1908.

Eliot District—Katherine G. O'Donnell, assistant, Apr. 28, 1908, one day; Annie E. Regan, assistant, Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, four days.

Emerson District—James H. Leary, sub-master, Apr. 22, 1908, one-half day.

Everett District—Dora W. Robison, assistant, Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, four days, and Apr. 24, 1908, one-half day.

Franklin District—Margaret C. Donovan, assistant, Apr. 27, 1908, one-half day; Emma F. Jenkins, assistant, Apr. 3, 1908, one day; Rose A. Plunkett, assistant, Apr. 3, 1908, one-half day; Octavia L. Cram, assistant, from May 13 until June 19, 1908.

Frothingham District—Jennie L. Quirk, assistant, Apr. 27, 1908, one-half day.

Gaston District—Mary A. Dorgan, assistant, Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, four days; Josephine A. Powers, assistant, Apr. 14 to 16, 1908, three days.

George Putnam District—Annie G. D. Ellis, assistant, from Apr. 27 until June 19, 1908.

Hancock District—Annie M. Niland, first assistant, primary school, Apr. 16, 1908, one-half day.

Henry L. Pierce District—Gertrude L. McCormick, assistant, Apr. 30, 1908, one day.

Lewis District—Martha C. Gerry, assistant, Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, four days.

Longfellow District—Lila C. Fisher, assistant, Apr. 22, 1908, one-half day.

Martin District—Mary C. Rogers, assistant, Apr. 22, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips District—Mary R. Kennedy, assistant, Apr. 16 and 17, 1908, two days.

Phillips Brooks District—Gertrude L. Gavin, assistant, kindergarten, Apr. 13, 1908, one day.

Prescott District—Mary E. Franklin, first assistant in charge, Apr. 22, 1908, one-half day.

Robert G. Shaw District—Blanche J. Conner, assistant, from Apr. 17 until June 1, 1908.

Roger Wolcott District—Harriet M. Gould, assistant, Apr. 13 to 15, 1908, three days.

Sherwin District—Caroline E. Josselyn, first assistant, kindergarten, from May 11 to 24, 1908.

Thomas Gardner District—M. Grace Seymour, assistant, Apr. 22 to 28, 1908, four days.

Warren District—Katharine A. Sweeney, assistant, Apr. 22, 1908, one-half day.

Winthrop District—Marguerite C. Cronan, assistant, from Apr. 13 until May 8, 1908; Ethel F. Grove, assistant, from Apr. 13 until May 22, 1908; Jane M. O'Brien, assistant, Apr. 21 to 24, 1908, four days.

Manual Training—Olive I. Harris, instructor, from Apr. 3 until May 29, 1908; Effie Owen, assistant instructor, Apr. 13 to 16, 1908, four days.

Nurse—Edith S. Cooke, assistant, from Mar. 31 until May 4, 1908.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for rest, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Girls' High School—Samuel Thürber, master, from May 4 until Sept. 1, 1908.

Agassiz District—Mary E. MacDonald, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified and upon the conditions stated:—

Franklin District—Elsie A. Burrage, assistant, kindergarten, from June 3 to 19, 1908, without pay.

Frothingham District—Madeline A. Foppiano, assistant, from Apr. 13 to 24, 1908, without loss of pay.

Lewis District—Allan L. Sedley, sub-master, Apr. 13 and 14, 1908, two days, without loss of pay.

Lowell District—Amy W. Watkins, assistant, May 11, 1908, one-half day, without loss of pay.

Sherwin District—Caroline E. Josselyn, first assistant, kindergarten, from May 24 until Sept. 1, 1908, without pay.

Washington District—Frances Burnce, assistant, Apr. 21 to 24, 1908, four days, without loss of pay; Elizabeth A. Lyons, assistant, kindergarten, May 6 until Sept. 1, 1908, without pay.

Winthrop District—Mary B. Thompson, assistant, from Apr. 21 until June 19, 1908, without pay.

Traut Officer—Philip Davis, Apr. 13, 1908, one day, without loss of pay.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of ninety-seven minors to be licensed to sell newspapers and of five to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of two minors to sell newspapers for violation of the conditions upon which said licenses were granted.

Approved.

GRADUATING EXERCISES, NORMAL, LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the graduating exercises of the Normal, Latin and high schools may be held this year on such days and at such hours on and after Wednesday, June 17, as the Board of Superintendents may determine.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

SAND GARDENS, WARD 19.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 4, 1908, relative to the communication received from the Common Council requesting this Board to establish sand gardens in as many of the school yards of Ward 19 as possible, referred to him at the meeting of Apr. 21, stating that the amount of money available for this purpose is not sufficient to warrant an increase in the number of sand gardens which the Board has already authorized.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be transmitted to the Common Council.

SAND GARDENS, WARD 16 AND PHILLIPS BROOKS SCHOOL YARDS.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 4, 1908, relative to the communication received from the City Council, requesting this Board to establish sand gardens in the school yards of Ward 16 and of the Phillips Brooks School, referred to him at the meeting of Apr. 21, stating that among the sand gardens established is one in the yard of the Phillips Brooks School, and that the amount of money available for this purpose is not sufficient to warrant an increase in the number of such gardens which the Board has already authorized.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be transmitted to the City Council.

GRADUATION EXERCISES CONFINED TO SCHOOLROOMS.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 4, 1908, relative to the communication received from the Common Council, requesting this Board to direct the Superintendent of Schools to make an inquiry into the advisability of confining graduation exercises to the schoolrooms, with a view to diminishing the attending expense to parents of children participating in such graduation exercises, referred to him at the meeting of Apr. 21,

transmitting a report from the Board of Superintendents relative thereto as follows:—

The Board of Superintendents is of the opinion that it would be unwise to change the place of graduation exercises from the assembly hall to the several class rooms, as any slight decrease in the expense of graduation to the parents, following such a change, would be more than offset by the loss of certain results which are highly desirable, and which come from a public graduation held in an assembly hall. A school diploma, representing as it may, three, four, or eight years' work on the part of a pupil, should be awarded with appropriate ceremony and dignity. Graduation exercises held in an assembly hall possess a value and have an influence that should not be underestimated. They bring the school to the notice of the community in a manner that no other school function can; they tighten the bonds between home and school; they are an incentive to public spirit; they promote civic improvement and pride of citizenship; they foster the social and educational ideals of the community; they exert many other formative influences.

The Board of Superintendents is of the opinion that "The attending expenses to the parents of children participating in such graduation exercises" may and ought to be diminished. Principals, teachers, and parents, should unite in insisting on much less display on the part of the pupils, and on a becoming simplicity of dress.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be transmitted to the Common Council.

AMENDMENT TO RULES.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 139, paragraph XXII. Strike out the first two lines and substitute the following:—

XXII. Playground: To first assistants in playgrounds, assistants in playgrounds, and assistants in sand gardens.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

CERTIFICATES TO TEACHERS IN PLAYGROUNDS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the Board of Superintendents is hereby authorized to issue certificates of qualification as follows: To persons employed by the School Committee during the season of 1907 as heads of playgrounds, certificate of qualification XXII. Playground, entitling them to appointment as first assistants in playgrounds; to persons employed by the School Committee during the season of 1907 as helpers in playgrounds or as helpers in sand gardens, certificate of qualification XXII. Playground, entitling them to appointment as assistants in playgrounds or assistants in sand gardens; to persons employed on May 4, 1908, by the Park Department of the City of Boston as instructors in park department playgrounds which have been transferred by that department to the supervision and control of the School Committee, certificate of qualification XXII. Playground, entitling them to appointment as first assistants or as assistants in playgrounds.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

PARK DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was **ORDERED,** That the Park Department be requested to continue the employment of such instructors, laborers, and attend-

ants in buildings at present employed upon Park Department playgrounds which have been transferred to the supervision and control of the School Committee, as the Director of School Hygiene may request.

SCHOLARSHIPS, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE AND ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

The Chairman presented a communication addressed to him by Frederick P. Fish, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Advisory Committee of Business Men of the High School of Commerce, under date of Apr. 1, 1908, stating that two travelling scholarships of four hundred dollars each have been provided for the current year for said school, one by Col. William A. Gaston and the other by Messrs. J. L. Richards, Henry S. Howe, the S. S. Pierce Company and the United Shoe Machinery Company. The Chairman also reported that a friend of the English High School, who desires his name withheld, has donated four hundred dollars to that school, to be devoted either to one travelling scholarship or to be divided into scholarships of two hundred dollars each, to pay one year's tuition at some college or university of two members of the graduating class, and preferably, though not necessarily, for students intending by their course of study to fit themselves for commerce.

The communication was placed on file, and the Chairman was requested to express to the donors of these funds the sincere appreciation of this Board of their gifts, which it hopes will be of great value not only to the schools concerned, but will also tend to encourage a deeper interest in the training of boys for commercial pursuits by the business concerns of this city.

JANITORSHIP, GRANT SCHOOL-HOUSE

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Apr. 30, 1908, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Apr. 21, reporting that the Civil Service Commission has certified the following-named persons as eligible for appointment to the janitorship of the Grant School-house: Robert J. Walsh, Francis L. Butler, and Edward J. Powers.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF FINANCIAL YEAR.

A statement was received from the Business Agent, under date of May 1, 1908, enclosing a comparative statement of the appropriations, expenditures and balances for the current year to May 1, 1908, and also the expenditures for the corresponding months of last year with the increases in the several items.

Also a communication under date of May 4, taking up various items of expenditure and commenting thereon, accompanied by illustrative diagrams.

Also a further communication, under date of May 4, relating to the increase in expenditures for light and power for the first four months of the current financial year as compared with the same period of the preceding year.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATION OF JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 29, 1908, transmitting the resignation of Robert A. Butler, Janitor of the Charles C. Perkins Portable School-house No. 14, to take effect Apr. 13, 1908.

Accepted.

JANITORSHIP, GRANT SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 2, 1908, stating that he had considered the three candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission for appointment to the janitorship of the Grant School-house, that Robert J. Walsh, who stands at the head of the list, declines the appointment, and recommending that Francis L. Butler, who stands second on the list, be appointed to the position, to date from May 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the appointment of Francis L. Butler to said position approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, HARRIS AND LITTLE EM'LY SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 4, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Harris and Little Em'ly School-houses, and recommending the transfer of James A. Hanlon, janitor of the Florence-street School-house, who stands first on the list, to the position, to date from May 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the transfer of James A. Hanlon to said position approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, HARVARD HILL SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 4, 1908, stating that the only applicant in the service for transfer to the janitorship of the Harvard Hill School-house, is Cornelius O'Sullivan, regular substitute janitor, and recommending that he be transferred to this position, to date from May 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of Cornelius O'Sullivan to said position, approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, EMERSON PRIMARY AND PORTABLE NO. 55 SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 4, 1908, stating that there are no applicants in the service for transfer to the janitorship of the Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses, and recommending that requisition be made upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of eligible candidates for said position.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 2, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Adams School-house—Joseph Clemens, reappointed from Apr. 26, 1908; amount due from Apr. 16 to May 1, 1908, inclusive, \$18.67.
Common-street School-house—Thomas Edes, amount due from Apr. 20 to 24, 1908, inclusive, \$8, including one day of previous service for which he has not been compensated.

Cook School-house—William J. Flemming, reappointed from May 1, 1908; amount due from Apr. 21 to May 1, 1908, inclusive, \$14.30.

Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55

School-houses—Peter Burns, appointed from Apr. 22, 1908, and reappointed from May 2, 1908; amount due from Apr. 22 to May 1, 1908, inclusive, \$16.33.

Grant School-house—Philip Maguire, reappointed from Apr. 26, 1908; amount due from Apr. 16 to 30, 1908, inclusive, \$17.50.

Harvard Hill School-house—Edward Powers, appointed from May 2, 1908.

Walnut-street School-house—Thomas Landrigan, amount due from Apr. 17 to 23, 1908, inclusive, \$12.36; Edward Powers, appointed from Apr. 24, 1908; amount due from Apr. 24 to May 1, 1908, inclusive, \$14.13.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Peter Burns, Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses, from Apr. 22 until May 1, 1908, inclusive, sixteen and 33-100 dollars (\$16.33).

To Joseph Clemens, Adams School-house, from Apr. 16 until May 1, 1908, inclusive, eighteen and 67-100 dollars (\$18.67).

To Thomas Edes, Common-street School-house, from Apr. 20 to 24, 1908, inclusive, and one day of previous service for which he has not been compensated, eight dollars (\$8).

To William J. Flemming, Cook School-house, from Apr. 21 to May 1, 1908, inclusive, fourteen and 30-100 dollars (\$14.30).

To Thomas Landrigan, Walnut-street School-house, from Apr. 17 to 23, 1908, inclusive, twelve and 36-100 dollars (\$12.36).

To Philip Maguire, Grant School-house, from Apr. 16 to 30, 1908, inclusive, seven and 50-100 dollars (\$17.50).

To Edward Powers, Walnut-street School-house, from Apr. 24 to May 1, 1908, inclusive, fourteen and 13-100 dollars (\$14.13).

SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 4, 1908, of the services performed by the regular substitute janitor, during the period from Apr. 22 to May 4, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file.

DENISON HOUSE, VACATION SCHOOL, 1908.

An application was received from Mary H. Dana, on behalf of the Denison House, under date of Apr. 13, 1908, for permission to occupy the carpentry room in the Pierpont School-house on Hudson street for vacation school purposes during the coming summer.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the application was approved, subject to the usual conditions.

SALARY DUE SARAH E. FRENCH.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the salary due Sarah E. French, late assistant in the George Putnam District, be paid to her father, John H. French.

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of May, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Dr. Scannell.

SALARIES OF PHYSICAL TRAINING TEACHERS.

A communication was received from Blanche A. Bemis and eleven other high school physical training teachers requesting that their salaries be placed upon the same basis as those of other special instructors in high schools, on account of

the material increase in the amount of work demanded of them and of additional responsibilities which have been placed upon them.

Laid on the table.

NEW BUILDING, WASHINGTON-STREET SCHOOL.

Resolutions adopted by the Germantown Citizens' Association at a meeting held on Apr. 5, 1908, were received, calling attention to the alleged unsanitary and dangerous condition of the Washington-street School Building, and requesting the School Committee and the Schoolhouse Commission to end the policy of continuous repair on this school building, and to construct in place thereof at moderate cost a substantial, sanitary, fireproof school-house of either concrete or brick, as soon as may be.

Placed on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Board took up the following items of unfinished business and acted thereon as follows:—

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Mar. 16, 1908, amending section 105 of the rules, relative to the appointment, reappointment and removal of members of the supervising staff, principals and teachers. (See p. 53.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Mar. 16, 1908, amending section 270, paragraph 3 of the regulations, relative to principals and directors conferring with the Superintendent with regard to appointments of teachers. (See p. 53.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Mar. 16, 1908, amending section 419 of the regulations, relative to assistant directors of physical training and athletics. (See p. 54.)

The order passed.

Orders offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Mar. 16, 1908, amending sections 144, 145, 317, 330, 331 and 337 of the rules and regulations, relative to teachers in the Parental School. (See pp. 54, 55.)

The orders passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Apr. 21, 1908, as amended, establishing the compensation of teachers and employees in playgrounds for the season of 1908. (See pp. 72, 73.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Apr. 21, 1908, amending section 145, paragraph 4, of the rules, relative to removal of names from eligible lists. (See p. 73.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Apr. 21, 1908, amending section 237 of the regulations, relative to teachers in vacation schools, and days and hours of session. (See p. 73.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Apr. 21, 1908, renumbering section 238 and remaining sections of Chapter XIII. (See p. 74.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Apr. 21, 1908,

amending section 238 of the regulations, relative to teachers in playgrounds, and days and hours of session. (See p. 74.)

On motion of the Superintendent, the following order was substituted for the one originally submitted by him:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Add a section to be numbered section 238.

Sect. 238. 1. Teachers in playgrounds shall consist of instructors in athletics, assistant instructors in athletics, supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds, play teachers, first assistants in playgrounds, assistants in playgrounds, and assistants in sand gardens.

2. In April of each year the superintendent shall appoint, with the approval of the Board, a list of teachers of playgrounds. All teachers of playgrounds shall be assigned from this list by the Superintendent. He may also appoint, with the approval of the Board, a list of substitute teachers in playgrounds, from which list he shall fill all vacancies that may occur in playgrounds.

3. Instructors in athletics and assistant instructors in athletics must hold a certificate of qualification including those positions. Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds and play teachers must hold a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class B, or a higher certificate. First assistants in playgrounds must hold a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class B, or a higher certificate, or a kindergarten certificate, or a special physical training certificate for high schools, or a playground certificate. Assistants in playgrounds and assistants in sand gardens must hold a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class E, or a higher certificate, or a kindergarten certificate, or a special physical training certificate, or a playground certificate, or be pupils in regular attendance in the Boston Normal School.

4. The period during which playgrounds shall be conducted, and their days and hours of session, shall be such as the Board may each year determine.

The substitute order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Apr. 21, 1908, amending section 303, paragraph 1 of the regulations, relative to teachers in the department of school hygiene. (See p. 74.)

The order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Apr. 21, 1908, amending section 419 of the regulations, relating to the duties and vacations of teachers in the department of school hygiene. (See p. 74.)

The order passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

PETITION OF HELENA M. DOHERTY.

A substitute petition for the one received from her at the meeting of Apr. 6, was submitted by Helena M. Doherty, under date of Apr. 30, 1908, requesting appointment as a regular teacher of sewing on full time and pay.

Laid on the table.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 11.30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

May 13, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:55 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: Messrs. Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers in playgrounds for the season of 1908, as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved, to date from May 4, 1908.

DEPARTMENT OF DENTAL HYGIENE.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, in Common Council,
May 14, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to establish a Department of Dental Hygiene in the school system of the City of Boston.

In Common Council, May 14, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

Joseph O'Kane,

Clerk of the Common Council.

Office of the Mayor, May 15, 1908.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the Secretary was directed to reply to the foregoing to the effect that the school appropriation is not sufficient to warrant the establishment of a department of dental hygiene in the school system as suggested, that under the direction of the department of school hygiene attention is being given to the inculcating of habits of dental cleanliness among school children, and that that department is now considering means and methods for making instruction along these lines still more effective.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Chapman District—Susie J. McCloskey, from May 4, 1908.

Dudley District—Eleanor M. Osterberg, kindergarten, from May 11, 1908.

Thomas Gardner District—Mary G. Coyle, from May 7, 1908.

Wells District—Anna L. McMurphy, from May 6, 1908.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Charlestown High School—Mary H. Shed, assistant, from May 1, 1908.

Girls' High School—Mabel S. Hastings, special instructor in commercial branches, from May 6, 1908.

Bowditch District—Annie C. Shea, assistant, from May 1, 1908.

Dearborn District—Alice G. Ryan, assistant, from May 1, 1908.

Dwight District—Bessie C. MacBrine, assistant, from May 1, 1908.

Mather District—Emma F. Temple, first assistant, kindergarten, from May 1, 1908.

Sherwin District—Mary F. Powers, first assistant, kindergarten, from May 26, 1908.

Washington District—Flora M. Hoyt, assistant, kindergarten, from May 6, 1908.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Sewing—Helena M. Doherty, teacher, from May 20, 1908.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Subsequently, the Superintendent presented the following appointments of teachers: Assistant Instructors in Athletics—James H. Crowley, Leo H. Leary, William C. Matthews, Fred L. O'Brien, John J. O'Donnell, Jr., Michael J. Redding, from May 19, 1908.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Adams District—Eleanor L. McGourty, assistant.

Bowdoin District—Hattie H. Batson, assistant.

Emerson District—Mary R. Thomas, master's assistant.

Jefferson District—Christine E. Glynn, assistant, kindergarten.

Lyman District—Anna E. Theisinger, assistant.

Wells District—Dora L. Adler, assistant, kindergarten.

William E. Russell District—Mary C. Sullivan, assistant.

Manual Training—Mary I. Donlan, assistant instructor.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

West Roxbury High School—George F. Partridge, master, head of the department of German, to the position of master, head of the department of mathematics; Caroline W. Trask, first assistant, on probation, head of the department of mathematics, to the position of first assistant, on probation, head of the department of ancient languages, to date from May 15, 1908.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUNDS.

Season of 1908.

To date from May 4, 1908.

First Assistants in Playgrounds.

Josephine M. Haney, Margaret G. Hatch, Thomas E. Kelley, Eleanor F. Morris.

Assistants in Playgrounds.

Mary A. Ford, Mary E. Keenan, Annie E. McWilliams.

Assistants in Sand Gardens.

Hazel N. Boice, Josephine L. Kelly, Frances R. Wilson.

Substitute Assistant in Sand Gardens.

Mary F. Thornton.

Approved.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Robert G. Shaw District—(Baker-street Kindergarten), Margaret Halloran, from Apr. 6 to 16, 1908, inclusive.

Thomas N. Hart District—(Benjamin Dean Kindergarten), Grace Horan, from May 14, 1908.
Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Charlestown High School—Jennie V. Richardson, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, from May 4 until June 18, 1908.

East Boston High School—Lucia R. Peabody, assistant, from Feb. 28 until Apr. 21, 1908.

Bigelow District—Laura S. Russell, assistant, Apr. 27 and 28, 1908, two days.

Blackinton District—Margaret E. Gray, assistant, Apr. 3, 1908, one-half day; Annie C. Lamb, assistant, May 13, 1908, one day; Alice M. Macdonald, assistant, Apr. 11 and 12, 1908, one and one-half days; Annie F. McGillicuddy, assistant, Apr. 3, 1908, one-half day.

Chapman District—Catharine F. Atwood, assistant, from May 1 until July 1, 1908; Mary E. Buffum, assistant, from Apr. 1 until May 4, 1908; Helen M. Paine, first assistant, kindergarten, from May 1 until July 1, 1908.

Charles Sumner District—Alice J. Jewett, assistant, Apr. 24, 1908, one-half day.

Christopher Gibson District—Corinna Barry, assistant, from May 11 until June 20, 1908.

Dearborn District—Kate A. Nason, assistant, from May 4 until June 19, 1908; Annie L. Coffey, assistant, May 8, 1908, one day.

Edward Everett District—L. Cora Morse, assistant, from May 11 until June 30, 1908.

Frothingham District—Elizabeth L. McCarthy, assistant, Apr. 28 until May 8, 1908, inclusive, nine days.

Gaston District—Emma M. Sibley, assistant, from May 11 to 15, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Hyde District—Della E. Cunningham, first assistant in charge, Apr. 29, 1908, one day.

Jefferson District—Susan H. Nugent, assistant, from May 4 until June 19, 1908.

Lawrence District—Lucy E. Killea, assistant, Apr. 13 to 17, 1908, four days.

Lincoln District—Helen M. Canning, assistant, Apr. 22 and 23, 1908, two days.

Lyman District—Grace R. Neeley, assistant, from Mar. 23 until May 4, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—Harlan P. Ford, sub-master, May 7, 1908, one day.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Margaret L. Higgins, assistant, Apr. 28, 1908, one day.

Rice District—Clara C. Dunn, assistant, May 6, 1908, one day.

Shurtleff District—Anna E. Murphy, assistant, May 5, 1908, one-half day.

Thomas N. Hart District—Mary B. Powers, assistant, from Apr. 1 to 27, 1908, eleven days.

Washington District—Anna M. Mullins, first assistant, kindergarten, May 6, 1908, one day.

Wells District—Emma S. McNamara, assistant, May 8, 1908, one-half day.

William E. Russell District—Charlotte K. Holmes, assistant, Apr. 28, 1908, one-half day; Mary C. Sullivan, assistant, May 1, 1908, one day; May C. McDonough, assistant, from May 1 until July 1, 1908.

Winthrop District—Emma A. Gordon, assistant, May 13, 1908, one-half day.

Sewing—Ellen E. MacHugh, teacher, May 13, 1908, one day.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for travel or study, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909:—

High School of Commerce—Lyman G. Smith, junior-master, for study.

Blackinton District—Ruth Perry, first assistant, kindergarten, for travel.

Roger Wolcott District—Katharine H. Perry, first assistant, kindergarten, for travel.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and upon the conditions stated:—

Girls' Latin School—Rosalie Y. Abbot, assistant, June 18 and 19, 1908, two days, without pay; Mary C. C. Goddard, first assistant, head of the department of mathematics, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, on half-pay, her resignation to take effect on the latter date.

Girls' High School—Louise M. Endicott, assistant, June 18 and 19, 1908, two days, without pay.

Minot District—Fannie D. Lane, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, on half-pay, her resignation to take effect on the latter date.

Washington District—Frances Burnce, assistant, May 8, 1908, one-half day, without loss of pay.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of seventy-three minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of one to be licensed to black boots, and of one to be licensed to act as a pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of three minors to sell newspapers and of one to black boots, for violation of the conditions upon which said licenses were granted.

Approved.

ASSISTANT INSTRUCTORS IN ATHLETICS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the appointment of six assistant instructors in athletics is hereby authorized.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the salaries of assistant instructors in athletics be fixed for the year ending Aug. 31, 1908, as follows:—First year \$900; annual increase \$72; maximum \$1116.

EXCHANGE OF TEACHERS WITH PRUSSIA.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the expenditure of a sum not to exceed four hundred dollars (\$400), for the purpose of exchanging a teacher between this city and Prussia, under the auspices of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, is hereby authorized.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to arrange for the exchange of not more than two teachers between this city and Prussia.

TELEPHONE, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Auditor enter into a contract with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to equip the Roxbury High School with a telephone in the four-party line coin box service, without guarantee except for tolls.

FRANCIS PARKMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The Superintendent offered the three orders immediately following:—

ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1,

1908, a new district be formed to be known as the Francis Parkman District for boys and girls, the boundaries of which shall be as follows:—

Francis Parkman District, for Boys and Girls.

Beginning at the junction of Washington street and the Arborway; thence by the centre of the Arborway to Forest Hills street; thence by the centre of Forest Hills street to Morton street; thence by the centre of Morton street to its junction with Canterbury street; thence by the centre of Canterbury street to Austin street; thence by the centre of Austin street to Harvard street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Harvard street to Walk Hill street; thence by the centre of Walk Hill and Paine streets to Canterbury street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Canterbury street to Neponset avenue; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Neponset avenue to the junction of Hyde Park avenue and Florence street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Florence street to the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad; thence northerly by said railroad to the embankment of the Metropolitan sewer; thence by said embankment to the junction of South street and the Dedham Branch Railroad; thence by the rear of the westerly side of South street to the Arborway; thence by the centre of the Arborway to the point of beginning.

Laid over.

ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the boundaries of the Agassiz District for boys, and those of the Bowditch District for girls, shall be as follows:—

Agassiz District for Boys and Bowditch District for Girls.

Beginning at the junction of Centre and Paul Gore streets; thence by the centre of Paul Gore street in a direct line to the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad; thence by said railroad to Boylston street; thence by the centre of Boylston street and Boylston avenue to Stony Brook; thence by the brook to Cornwall street; thence by the centres of Cornwall, Washington and Forest Hills streets, Glen road, Sigourney street, Walnut avenue, Seaver street, Blue Hill avenue, and Canterbury street to Morton street; thence by the centre of Morton street to Forest Hills street; thence by the centre of Forest Hills street to the Arborway; thence by the centre of the Arborway to South street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of South street to Bussey street; thence by the centres of Bussey, Walter, Centre and Allandale streets to the Brookline line; thence by said line to its junction with Chestnut street; thence by the centre of Chestnut street to Perkins street; thence by the centre of Perkins street to Jamaica way; thence by a direct line to the junction of South Huntington avenue and Centre street; thence by the centre of Centre street to the point of beginning.

Laid over.

ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the boundaries of the Charles Sumner District for boys and girls shall be as follows:—

Charles Sumner District, for Boys and Girls.

Beginning at the junction of Walk Hill and Harvard streets; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Harvard street to Hyde Park boundary line; thence by said line to its junction with Poplar street; thence in a northwesterly direction to the junction of High and Washington streets; thence by the centre of Washington street to Rockland street; thence by the centre of Rockland street to Farrington avenue; thence by the centre of Farrington avenue

to Beech street; thence by the centre of Beech street to Kittredge street; thence by the centre of Kittredge street to Metropolitan avenue; thence by the centre of Metropolitan avenue to Washington street; thence by the centre of Washington street to Dudley avenue; thence by the centres of Dudley avenue, Birch and South streets to the Dedham Branch Railroad; thence by said railroad to the embankment of the Metropolitan sewer; thence by the embankment to the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad; thence southerly by said railroad to Florence street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Florence street and Neponset avenue to Canterbury street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Canterbury street to Paine street; thence by the centres of Paine and Walk Hill streets to the point of beginning.

Laid over.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING FOR PUPILS. HANCOCK DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of May 13, 1908, recommending that the course in industrial training which has been provided by the North Bennet Street Industrial School during the current year for a limited number of girls from the Hancock District, be continued for the year 1908-09, under the same conditions as those under which the offer was originally accepted.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the offer of the North Bennet Street Industrial School to continue the instruction in industrial training which has been provided during the current year for a limited number of girls from the Hancock District be accepted for the school year 1908-09, provided that said industrial training be free of expense to the city, and that it be given in such subjects, under such conditions, and subject to such oversight, regulations and control as the Board of Superintendents may determine.

AMENDMENT TO HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of May 13, 1908, recommending that School Document No. 4, 1906, Course of Study for the High Schools, be amended as follows:—

Page 8: Strike out the following paragraph:—

(9) Not more than fifteen points for drawing, household science and arts, manual training, and music combined are allowed to count towards a diploma. Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the high school course of study was amended accordingly.

COURSE OF STUDY FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of May 16, 1908, recommending that pending the revision of the course of study for elementary schools now under consideration, the Provisional Course for the Elementary Schools, School Document No. 5, 1907, be authorized for the school year 1908-09.

Placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That pending the revision of the course of study for elementary schools now under consideration, the Provisional Course for the Elementary Schools, School Document No. 5, 1907, be authorized for the school year 1908-09.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDY ACCESSIBLE TO BOSTON TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of May 18, 1908, relative to the order passed at the meeting of Apr. 21, referring to said Board for investigation and report recommendation 4 of section VI. of the preliminary report of the committee of teachers appointed to investigate opportunities for study accessible to Boston teachers, stating that it has given the matter careful consideration, and presenting the following recommendations:—

(1) That certificates for courses which count toward a degree shall be accepted in lieu of the academic work towards promotional examinations. The Board feels that such work cannot take the place of the professional part of the examinations since success in the schoolroom and methods pursued by the teacher are, and must be, purely personal characteristics; and no amount of academic work can offset personal qualifications.

(2) The Board believes that academic and professional study in college or elsewhere may be of great advantage to the teacher and, other things being equal, would make the teacher of more value in the schoolroom, but in the ranking of teachers all things must be considered, especially the personal power and influence of the teacher, which is not necessarily represented by collegiate degrees. The Board therefore recommends that no academic or professional study in such courses shall determine the rank of teachers.

Placed on file.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Board of Superintendents is hereby authorized to substitute for the academic part of the promotional examinations such course or courses counting for a degree in colleges accepted by that Board as it may, from time to time, approve.

ADDITIONS TO ELIGIBLE LIST.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of May 18, 1908, submitting a list of candidates rated by that Board on the results of the examinations of Dec. 6 and 7, 1907, and Apr. 6 and 7, 1908, for the certificate of qualification, XI. Special: Instructor in Athletics:—

Ratings.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
831.....	Leo H. Leary.....	June 30, 1914
826.....	William C. Matthews.....	June 30, 1913
823.....	John J. O'Donnell, Jr.....	June 30, 1914
751.....	James H. Crowley.....	June 30, 1913
741.....	Matthew M. Leary.....	June 30, 1913
706.....	Michael J. Redding.....	June 30, 1913
692.....	Fred L. O'Brien.....	June 30, 1913

Placed on file.

DEATH OF JANITOR'S ASSISTANT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 7, 1908, reporting the death of Carl Malberg, employed as an assistant by the janitor of the Washington School-house, who fell from the upper story of that building while engaged in cleaning windows on Apr. 6, and was killed.

Placed on file.

JANITORSHIP, WILLIAM H. KENT PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES NOS. 46 AND 47.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of May 18, 1908, reporting that he had received a communication from the Civil Service Commission with reference to the provisional appointment of Margaret O'Neil as janitor of the

William H. Kent Portable School-houses Nos. 46 and 47, under authority granted by that Board on Nov. 26, 1901, stating that the Commission has established an eligible list of women janitors and has certified the following-named persons for appointment to that position, under date of May 8, 1908: Catherine A. Dunn, Annie Murphy, Margaret O'Neil.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board approved the regular appointment of Margaret O'Neil to the position now held by her as above.

JANITORSHIP, FLORENCE-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 18, 1908, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Florence-street School-house, and recommending the transfer of Callahan T. Hogan, janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, who stands first on the list, to the position, to date from June 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the transfer of Callahan T. Hogan to said position approved from the date stated.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 18, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses—Peter Burns, reappointed from May 12, 1908; amount due from May 2 to 11, 1908, inclusive, \$16.33.

Florence-street School-house—James J. Sullivan, appointed from May 18, 1908.

Grant School-house—Philip Maguire, reappointed from May 6, 1908; amount due from May 1 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$17.50.

Harvard Hill School-house—Edward Powers, reappointed from May 12, 1908; amount due from May 2 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$23.80.

Placed on file, and the reappointment approved.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Peter Burns, Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses, from May 2 to 11, 1908, inclusive, sixteen and 33-100 dollars (\$16.33).

To Philip Maguire, Grant School-house, from May 1 to 15, 1908, inclusive, seventeen and 50-100 dollars (\$17.50).

To Edward Powers, Harvard Hill School-house, from May 2 to 15, 1908, inclusive, twenty-three and 80-100 dollars (\$23.80).

SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 18, 1908, of the services performed by the regular substitute janitor, during the period from May 5 to 16, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file.

RATS IN ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 1, stating that rats still cause a good deal of annoyance in the English High School-house, that the person who has the contract for ridding the building of this pest is not making much headway, and suggesting that several cats be obtained and

placed in the building to obviate the nuisance.

Referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

SALARY DUE MARY E. McMANN.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the salary due Mary E. McMann, late assistant in the Lawrence District, be paid to her mother, Julia McMann.

STATISTICS FOR COMMISSION ON INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Massachusetts Commission on Industrial Education, under date of May 7, 1908, stating that the Commission is conducting an investigation with a view to determining the number of children fourteen years of age and above in each of the grades of the public schools; and requesting this Board to allow the Commission to obtain the names and addresses of all the members of the sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth grades in the elementary schools, and the names and occupations of their parents.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the communication was laid on the table, and the Secretary directed to ascertain further particulars from the Commission with regard to the matter.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING RATES, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, under date of May 13, 1908, with reference to the new rates charged by that Company for electric light and power service in school buildings, and making various suggestions by which in the opinion of that Company the cost of such service can be considerably decreased.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, referred to the Business Agent for consideration and report.

ART EXHIBITIONS IN SCHOOLS DURING SUMMER VACATIONS.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Museum of Fine Arts, under date of May 4, 1908, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Jan. 3, inviting the Trustees of said institution to establish local exhibitions during the summer months in one or more of the fireproof buildings in the immediate vicinity of the homes of school children and their parents, stating that in view of the present problems which the Museum has under consideration it is not considered expedient to undertake this new effort at this time.

Placed on file.

PARK PLAYGROUNDS.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Parks, under date of May 18, 1908, in response to the communication from the Board stating its attitude with regard to the regulations or conditions relating to the control of playgrounds transferred from said Board to the School Committee, as expressed in its communication under date of May 8.

Placed on file.

Also, another communication under the same date, enclosing a statement of credit balances on account of maintenance of play-

grounds, the total balances amounting on May 1, 1908, to \$15,684.50.

Placed on file.

SOUTH END VACATION SCHOOL, 1908.

An application was received from A. Isabel Winslow, under date of May 18, 1908, on behalf of the South End Vacation School, for permission to occupy the rooms and yard of the Wait School-house, from July 6 to Aug. 10, 1908, for vacation school purposes.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the application was approved, subject to the usual conditions.

HEBREW INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL VACATION KINDERGARTEN, 1908.

An application was received from Zipora Spitz, on behalf of the Hebrew Industrial School, under date of May 16, 1908, for permission to occupy room 8 and to use the kindergarten materials therein, in the Washington School-house, during the coming summer, between the hours of 9 A.M. and 12 M., for the purpose of maintaining a kindergarten.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the application was approved, subject to the usual conditions.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, BELLEVUE DISTRICT, ROSLINDALE.

A communication was received from Mrs. Harrison Fowler, under date of May 15, 1908, inquiring with reference to grammar school accommodations in the Bellevue District, Roslindale.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to reply thereto.

SCHOOL BULLETIN.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the Business Agent be instructed to investigate and report to this Board at its next meeting with reference to the expense of publishing and distributing a school bulletin to be issued once a fortnight.

TRANSFER OF AN APPROPRIATION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) is hereby transferred from the item "Supplies and Incidentals" in the annual appropriation order passed Feb. 20, 1908, to the item "Salaries of Instructors" in the same order.

The order passed by the following vote:—Yeas—Messrs. Ellis, Magenis, Scannell, Storrow—4.

Nays—0.

SUMMER INDOOR ACTIVITIES.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That in view of the great extension of the outdoor activities of the School Department during the coming summer classes within buildings be not undertaken.

BANDS FOR ANNUAL PARADE OF SCHOOL CADETS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the Director of School Hygiene is hereby authorized to select and engage five bands for the annual parade of the Boston School Cadets on Friday, May 29, 1908.

RATIONS FOR SCHOOL CADETS, AN- NUAL PARADE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That Dr. Scannell and the Secretary be appointed a committee with power to make the usual arrangements for furnishing rations to the Boston School Cadets on the day of their annual parade, Friday, May 29, 1908.

TUITION OF NON-RESIDENT PUPILS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Business Agent, and laid over at the meeting of Apr. 21, 1908, relative to the tuition of non-resident pupils attending the public schools, was placed on file.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

APPOINTMENT OF HELENA M. DOHERTY AS TEACHER OF SEWING.

Mr. Magenis moved that Helena M. Doherty be regularly appointed as a teacher of sewing.

Lost, by a vote of 3 to 1.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the petition of Helena M. Doherty, received at the meeting of May 4, 1908, was taken from the table, and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 11:50 o'clock P. M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 1, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 8:14 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: Messrs. Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storow.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

RATS IN ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of May 21, 1908, relative to the communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian with respect to rats in the English High School-house, referred to said Board at the meeting of May 18, stating that the termination of the contract with the rat exterminator is under consideration, and that immediately upon that matter being decided the Commission will take up further action with the Schoolhouse Custodian.

Placed on file.

BOSTON SCHOOL EXHIBIT, JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of May 26, 1908, relative to the order passed at the meeting of Dec. 16, 1907, requesting said Commission to furnish such additional cases and equipment as might be found necessary for the housing of the Boston school exhibit sent to the Jamestown Exposition in the Normal School, stating that the Commission has been guided in the fitting up of the room by Assistant Superintendent Maurice P. White, and as far as it is aware his wishes have been complied with.

Placed on file.

DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of David L. Jones, truant officer, which occurred on May 17, 1908.

Placed on file.

The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Quincy District—Katherine R. Murphy, from June 1, 1908.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Bunker Hill District—Augusta S. Taven-der, assistant, from June 1, 1908.

Dwight District—Julia M. Fitzpatrick, assistant, May 5 and 6, 1908, one and one half days.

Quincy District—Lavina M. Grimes, assistant, from June 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHER.

George Putnam District—Marguerite F. Lally, assistant, from June 15, 1908.

Approved.

PRINCIPAL.

Francis Parkman District—Arthur Stanley, master, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Laid over.

ON PROBATION.

(By Promotion.)

Girls' Latin School—Ernest C. Hapgood, master, head of the department of mathematics, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Francis Parkman District—Fanny M. Joy, master's assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Norcross District—Estelle C. Chase, assistant.

Approved.

EVENING SCHOOL PRINCIPALS.

Season of 1908-09.

High Schools.

Central, Myron W. Richardson; Charlestown, Peter F. Gartland; East Boston, Albert S. Perkins; Roxbury, William B. Snow; South Boston, James E. Downey; from Oct. 5, 1908.

Elementary Schools.

Bigelow, John W. Lillis; Bowdoin, W. Hector S. Kollmyer; Christopher Columbus, Alvin P. Wagg; Comins, W. Stanwood Field; Eliot, Walter Mooers; Franklin, Clarence P. Coburn; Hancock, Edward F. O'Dowd; Lincoln, John J. Sheehan; Lyman, James H. Gormley; Phillips Brooks, James A. Treanor; Quincy, Bertha Hazard; Warren, James H. Leary; Washington Allston, William A. Reed; Wells, Charles E. Harris; from Oct. 5, 1908.

Drawing Schools.

Charlestown, Albert L. Ware; East Boston, Alexander Miller; Mechanic Arts, George Jepson, master; Roxbury, Charles L. Adams; Warren, George H. Bartlett, master; from Oct. 3, 1908.

Laid over.

PLAYGROUNDS.

Season of 1908.

First Assistants in Playgrounds.

Murray H. Ballou, Annie M. Beer, Mabel S. Blackman, Susan M. Bradley, Regina M. Hart, Theresa F. Long, Esther L. McNellis, Grace A. Tully, Helen M. West, from June 1, 1908.

Assistants in Playgrounds.

Ella A. Sweeney, from May 11, 1908.

Edward J. Carroll, from June 1, 1908.

Assistants in Sand Gardens.

Alice L. McCormick, from June 1, 1908.

Approved.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Adams District—(Plummer No. 1 Kindergarten), Katherine Clark, from May 8, 1908.

Franklin District—(Lincoln House Kindergarten), Margaret T. Bailey, from June 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

English High School—William H. Sylvester, master, from May 19 to June 20, 1908.

High School of Commerce—Oscar C. Gallagher, master, May 22, 1908, one day.
West Roxbury High School—Blanche G. Wetherbee, first assistant, from Apr. 14 to May 8, 1908.

Bennett District—Clara L. Harrington, assistant, May 12 to 18, 1908, five days; Leslie D. Hooper, assistant, May 19, 1908, one-half day.

Brimmer District—Mary E. W. Hagerty, assistant, May 13, 1908, one-half day.

Edward Everett District—Florence A. Goodfellow, assistant, May 7, 8, and 11, 1908, two days.

Eliot District—Catherine J. Cunningham, assistant, May 13, 1908, one-half day; Agnes C. Moore, assistant, May 4 to 8, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Franklin District—Ruth D. Stevens, assistant, May 29, 1908, one day.

Frothingham District—Persis M. Whittemore, assistant, May 13, 1908, one-half day.

Gaston District—Josephine A. Powers, assistant, May 13, 1908, one day; Emogene F. Willett, assistant, from May 18 to June 20, 1908.

George Putnam District—Mary B. Tenney, assistant, from May 2 to July 1, 1908.

Hyde District—Delia E. Cunningham, first assistant in charge, May 19, 1908, one day.

John A. Andrew District—Mary E. Keohan, assistant, May 26, 1908, one-half day.

Norcross District—Eleanor J. Cashman, first assistant in charge, May 18, 1908, one-half day; Kate E. Fitzgerald, assistant, May 7 to 22, 1908, twelve days.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Michael E. Fitzgerald, master, Apr. 27, 1908, one-half day; John J. Cummings, assistant, Apr. 27, 1908, one-half day; Mary A. McNaught, assistant, May 7, 1908, one-half day.

Roger Wolcott District—Mary M. McNally, assistant, May 14 and 15, 1908, two days.

Shurtleff District—Ella G. Fitzgerald, assistant, from May 4 to 30, 1908.

Winthrop District—Emma A. Gordon, assistant, from May 25 to June 19, 1908.

Cookery—Mary C. Mitchell, teacher, May 1, 1908, one-half day.

Sewing—M. Lillian Dunbar, teacher, May 27, 1908, one day.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Dearborn District—Amy E. Lang, assistant, kindergarten, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909.

Mather District—Gertrude A. Hastings, assistant, from Dec. 2, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909.

The Superintendent recommended that the following leaves of absence be granted, under a suspension of the rules, for the terms specified and upon the conditions stated:—

Girls' High School—Mabel A. Fitz, assistant, June 17 and 19, 1908, two days, without pay.

Bunker Hill District—Henry F. Sears, sub-master, Abby P. Josselyn, first assistant, grammar school, Clara B. Brown, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, on half-pay; Angella M. Knowles, assistant, from Feb. 12, 1908, until Feb. 12, 1909, on half-pay, and from Feb. 12 until Sept. 1, 1909, without pay; Mary E. Minter, assistant, from Mar. 1, 1908, until Mar. 1, 1909, on half-pay, and from Mar. 1 until Sept. 1, 1909, without pay; their resignations to take effect on the last-named dates.

Horace Mann School—Mabel E. Adams, assistant, from May 19 to 29, 1908, inclusive, nine days, without loss of pay.

Mather District—Gertrude A. Hastings, assistant, from Sept. 9, until Dec. 2, 1908, without pay.

Quincy District—Emily E. Maynard, assistant, from June 1 to 19, 1908, inclusive, without pay.

Washington Allston District—Sara F. Boynton, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1903, until Sept. 1, 1909, on half-pay; her resignation to take effect on the last-named date.

Sewing—Sarah A. Stall, Ella Whiting, teachers, from Sept. 1, 1903, until Sept. 1, 1909, on half-pay; their resignations to take effect on the last-named dates.

School Hygiene—Gordon Trowbridge, assistant director of physical training and athletics, from June 1 to 8, 1908, without loss of pay.

Laid on table.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of eighty-nine minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of nine to be licensed to black boots, and of one to be licensed to act as a pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of three minors to sell newspapers, for violation of the conditions upon which said licenses were granted.

Approved.

ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS AND RE-APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The following annual appointments and reappointments of teachers, to date from Sept. 1, 1908, were submitted by the Superintendent:—

To Serve During the Pleasure of the School Committee.

Charlestown High School—George W. Evans, head-master.

High School of Commerce—Frank V. Thompson, head-master.

Sherwin District—Edward P. Shute, master.

Thomas Gardner District—Charles F. Merrick, master.

Washington District—Benjamin J. Hinds, master.

Household Science and Arts—Josephine Morris, supervisor.

Substitutes—Mary C. Mellyn, supervisor. Kindergartens—Caroline D. Aborn, director.

Special Assistant Instructor in Physical Training—Dorchester High School, Mary F. Stratton.

To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1909. Girls' High School—Albert P. Walker, head-master.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Herbert S. Weaver, head-master.

Brimmer District—George W. Ransom, master.

Bunker Hill District—Frank L. Keith, master.

Dillaway District—Emma S. Gulliver, master.

Eliot District—John F. McGrath, master.

Drawing and Manual Training—Walter Sargent, director.

School Hygiene—Thomas F. Harrington, director.

Special Instructors of Physical Training—Brighton High School, Sara L. Shaw; East Boston High School, Carrie L. Worthen.

Special Assistant Instructors of Physical Training—Charlestown High School, Miriam Harris; Girls' High School, J. Loretta Nagle.

On Probation.

Evening and Vacation Schools—Maurice J. O'Brien, director.

Supervisor of Practice—Gertrude E. Bigelow.

Laid over.

Also a list of appointments and reappointments of subordinate teachers of the several Normal, Latin, high, elementary schools and kindergartens, to serve during the pleasure of the School Committee, and for the term ending Aug. 31, 1909, said appointments and reappointments to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and contained in School Document No. 3, 1908, "Appointments for Re-Election."

Laid over.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 45. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 45. He shall annually prepare and publish a list of text and supplementary books, dictionaries, encyclopedias, atlases, globes, maps and charts authorized for use in the public schools and furnish each teacher with a copy thereof.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 282. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 282. 1. At the annual election in June, the average number of pupils belonging during the current school year shall be used in determining the rank of subordinate teachers to be reappointed; and the greatest number of pupils belonging on any day of the current school year shall be used in determining the number of subordinate teachers of all ranks to be reappointed in any school or district.

2. When the appointment of an additional teacher in an elementary district to begin service on any day from the second Wednesday of September to the second Wednesday of October is under consideration, the average number of pupils belonging during the preceding school year shall be used in determining the number and rank of teachers to which the school or district is entitled.

3. When the appointment of an additional teacher in a high or Latin school to begin service on any day from the second Wednesday of September to the second Wednesday of October is under consideration, the estimated number of pupils, determined by the superintendent in accordance with the reports from the elementary schools, shall be used in determining the number and rank of teachers to which the school is entitled. Appointments of teachers in high or Latin schools may be made in June to take effect in September; provided, that they are made from the eligible lists as revised by the board of superintendents after the April examinations and are limited to those whose certificates will be valid in September; and provided further, that the number of teachers employed in any high or Latin school on the second Wednesday of October shall not exceed the number authorized by the regulations.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 290. Add a paragraph to be numbered 3.

3. One special assistant or one clerical assistant may be appointed.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 291, paragraphs 10 and 11. Strike out the paragraphs and substitute in place thereof the following:—

10. In each high and Latin school two additional teachers may be appointed as follows:—

Public Latin School, two junior-masters.

Girls' Latin School, one assistant and one special instructor in German. The position of special instructor in German is to be abolished upon the retirement of the present incumbent.

Mechanic Arts High School, two instructors.

High School of Commerce, one special instructor in commercial branches, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts, one special assistant instructor in household science and arts, and one special assistant instructor in drawing.

Brighton High School, one special instructor in drawing and manual training, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

Charlestown High School, one special instructor in commercial branches, and one one special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

Dorchester High School, one instructor and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

East Boston High School, one special instructor in commercial branches, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

English High School, one special instructor in drawing, and one special instructor in commercial branches.

Girls' High School, two special assistant instructors in commercial branches.

Roxbury High School, one special assistant instructor in drawing and one special assistant instructor in French. The position of special assistant instructor in French in the Roxbury High School shall be abolished upon the retirement of the present incumbent.

South Boston High School, one special assistant instructor in commercial branches, and one special assistant instructor in French. The position of special assistant instructor in French in the South Boston High School shall be abolished upon the retirement of the present incumbent.

West Roxbury High School, one special instructor in commercial branches, and one special assistant instructor in drawing.

11. In each high and Latin school attended by girls, one special instructor in physical training may be appointed, and when the number of pupils belonging exceeds 600, a special assistant instructor in physical training may also be appointed.

12. In each high and Latin school, one special assistant or one clerical assistant may be appointed.

13. Teachers of ranks other than those prescribed in the preceding regulations may be substituted for teachers to which the school is entitled under the regulations as follows:—

In the Dorchester High School two special instructors in commercial branches, and one special instructor in drawing and manual training instead of instructors; one special assistant instructor in commercial branches, and two special assistant instructors in drawing instead of assistant instructors.

In the East Boston High School, one special instructor in drawing and manual training instead of an assistant.

In the Girls' High School, two special assistant instructors in commercial branches, one special assistant instructor in chemistry, and one special assistant instructor in drawing instead of assistant instructors.

In the Mechanic Arts High School, one first assistant instead of one assistant instructor.

In the Roxbury High School, one special

instructor in commercial branches, instead of an instructor.

In the South Boston High School, one special assistant instructor in drawing, instead of an assistant instructor.

In the West Roxbury High School, one special assistant instructor in commercial branches instead of an assistant instructor.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 291. Add a new paragraph to be numbered 14.

14. In the Mechanic Arts High School there may also be appointed five instructors or special instructors in the mechanical department; one special assistant instructor in the mechanical department, for each shop or drawing room in constant use; and one special assistant instructor.

The position of special assistant instructor in the Mechanic Arts High School shall be abolished upon the retirement of the present incumbent.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 292. 4. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

4. Each elementary school district, except those attended exclusively by girls in grades above the third, shall be entitled to one sub-master. Each elementary school district shall be entitled to two sub-masters if the number of boys belonging in grades above the third exceeds six hundred. Such additional sub-masters may be appointed as the Board may from time to time authorize. Each elementary school district shall be entitled to one first assistant, grammar school, if the number of girls belonging in grades above the third exceeds six hundred. The rank of first assistant, grammar school, except as provided for in this section, shall be abolished as the position becomes vacant by the retirement of the present incumbents.

Laid over.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED. That evening schools be established for the term of 1908-1909 as follows:—

High Schools.

Central School, in the English High School-house, Montgomery street; Charlestown School, in the Charlestown High School-house; East Boston School, in the East Boston High School-house; Roxbury School, in the Roxbury High School-house; South Boston School, in the South Boston High School-house.

Elementary Schools.

Bigelow School, in the Bigelow School-house; Bowdoin School, in the Bowdoin School-house; Christopher Columbus School, in the Christopher Columbus School-house; Comins School, in the Comins School-house; Eliot School, in the Eliot School-house; Franklin School, in the Franklin School-house; Hancock School, in the Hancock School-house; Lincoln School, in the Lincoln School-house; Lyman School, in the Lyman School-house; Phillips Brooks School, in the Phillips Brooks School-house; Quincy School, in the Quincy School-house; Warren School, in the Warren School-house; Washington Allston School, in the Washington Allston School-house, with a branch in the William Wirt Warren School-house; Wells School, in the Wells School-house.

Drawing Schools.

East Boston School, in the Old East Boston High School-house; Charlestown School, in the old Charlestown City Hall; Mechanic Arts School, in the Mechanic Arts High School-house; Roxbury School, in the Old Dearborn School-house; Warren Avenue School, in the Public Latin School-house.

Laid over.

PAYMENT TO VINCENT L. KELLEY.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED. That the payment of the sum of eight dollars (\$8) to Vincent L. Kelley for services rendered as temporary teacher of commercial branches in the Girls' High School is hereby authorized.

MERRY-GO-ROUNDS, CHARLESTOWN PLAYGROUNDS, JUNE 17.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 1, 1908, transmitting a letter from the Director of School Hygiene, enclosing two applications for permission to conduct merry-go-rounds and swings on the Charlestown playgrounds on June 17.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED. That this Board sees no objection to granting permits for merry-go-rounds and other unobjectionable amusements to be located on school playgrounds during public holidays or at such other times as will add to the legitimate attractions of playgrounds, and not interfere with their use as school playgrounds; provided, that such permits are granted to responsible persons and are subject to proper regulations; and this Board leaves the granting of such requests to the discretion of the Director of School Hygiene.

NURSES AIDING IN CHELSEA RELIEF WORK.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 1, 1908, transmitting a report from the Director of School Hygiene, containing a detailed statement of the services rendered by the Supervising Nurse and the Assistant Nurses attached to that department, in affording relief to Chelsea sufferers, a summary of which is as follows:—

Number of hours service.....	356
Number of meals procured, prepared and served	1,920
Number of dressings and cases requiring special nursing.....	295
Number of maternity cases assisted.....	14
Number of contagious cases discovered and isolated, including membranous croup, scarlet fever, diphtheria, measles..	15
Number of pneumonia and influenza cases..	8
Number of persons interviewed and registered	2,000
Number of packages of clothing and supplies procured and disposed of.....	1,200
Number of cases investigated.....	900

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED. That this Board hereby expresses to Supervising Nurse Carley and to Assistant Nurses Buckley, Cahoon, Crowell, Daly, Dwyer, Felton, Fitzgerald, Hollings, Hunter, McCaffrey, Quirk, Reynolds and Snow its appreciation and approval of the efficient service which they cheerfully and voluntarily rendered to persons needing medical attention during and after the recent Chelsea fire, and extends to them individually its sincere thanks for their valuable public service.

ADDITIONS TO ELIGIBLE LIST.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of June 1, 1908, submitting a list of candidates rated by that Board on the results of the examinations held in April, 1908,

and of four candidates already in the service who hold valid high school certificates of qualification and who have applied for, and are entitled to, a rating thereunder, as follows:—

NORMAL SCHOOL CERTIFICATES.

Expression.

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
829	Katharine Merrill.....	June 30, 1914

Kindergarten.

874	Elizabeth F. Mascord.....	June 30, 1914
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Physical Geography.

853	Lyman R. Allen.....	June 30, 1914
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HIGH SCHOOL CERTIFICATES.

Ancient Languages.

Rating	Name.	Men.	Certificate Expires.
845	Frederick G. Getchell.....		June 30, 1914
835	Henry R. Gardner.....		June 30, 1914
804	George F. Burt.....		June 30, 1914
755	Boyd Bartlett.....		June 30, 1914

Women.

863	Jennie E. Weir.....	June 30, 1914
841	Alice C. Howe.....	June 30, 1914
809	Charlotte H. Lovell.....	June 30, 1914
788	Edna M. Spurr.....	June 30, 1914
762	Cora F. Roper.....	June 30, 1914
691	Ella M. Parker.....	June 30, 1914
679	Elizabeth H. Norman.....	June 30, 1914

Botany.

843	Carleton E. Preston.....	June 30, 1914
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Commercial Branches.

813	Maud M. Cunningham.....	June 30, 1914
695	Amy N. Martin.....	June 30, 1914
686	Edith M. Tillinghast.....	June 30, 1914
657	Mildred K. Bentley.....	June 30, 1914
646	Marie A. Goddard.....	June 30, 1914

Economics.

826	DeLorma A. Morrow.....	June 30, 1914
716	Joseph F. Carter.....	June 30, 1914

English.

Men.

873	Kenneth Beal.....	June 30, 1914
809	Roy Davis.....	June 30, 1914
800	Leonard B. Moulton.....	June 30, 1914
795	Melville C. Freeman.....	June 30, 1914
778	John B. Opdycke.....	June 30, 1914
761	William H. Davis.....	June 30, 1914
751	Leroy A. Ames.....	June 30, 1914
734	Bertram C. Richardson.....	June 30, 1914
721	Ivory F. Frisbee.....	June 30, 1914

Women.

809	Louise W. Danielson.....	June 30, 1914
807	Gertrude M. Hall.....	June 30, 1914
788	Florence L. Adams.....	June 30, 1914
782	Jennette A. Moulton.....	June 30, 1914
771	Olive C. Ambler.....	June 30, 1914
737	Amy V. Kingston.....	June 30, 1914
688	Edith M. Shearer.....	June 30, 1914

French

Men.

843	Olin H. Moore.....	June 30, 1914
686	Edward Berge-Soler.....	June 30, 1914

Women.

843	Bertha A. Bonart.....	June 30, 1914
823	Priscilla Whiton.....	June 30, 1912
796	Katherine E. Cufflin.....	June 30, 1914
773	Clio M. Chilcott.....	June 30, 1914
764	Mary C. Humphrey.....	June 30, 1914
760	Mary E. Hough.....	June 30, 1914
678	Minnie F. Waugh.....	June 30, 1914

German.

Men.

803	Herbert C. Collar.....	June 30, 1914
766	William H. Detwyler.....	June 30, 1914

Women.

841	K. Isabel Mann.....	June 30, 1914
839	Angelina L. Weeks.....	June 30, 1914
826	Elizabeth Goldsmith.....	June 30, 1914
793	Eva Z. Prichard.....	June 30, 1914
785	Emily A. Daniell.....	June 30, 1914

History.

Men.

805	Winthrop Tirrell.....	June 30, 1914
799	William W. Gallagher.....	June 30, 1914
718	Thomas E. Winston.....	June 30, 1914

Women.

865	Jessie M. Law.....	June 30, 1914
773	Lena A. Glover.....	June 30, 1914
749	Alice E. Cook.....	June 30, 1914
741	Mabel E. Bowker.....	June 30, 1914
706	Mary E. Mailman.....	June 30, 1912

Mathematics.

Men.

917	Aubrey E. Landry.....	June 30, 1914
823	David H. Fulton.....	June 30, 1914
819	Jonathan I. Buck.....	June 30, 1912
808	Edwin F. Field.....	June 30, 1914
684	Harry E. Bryant.....	June 30, 1914

Women.

854	Harriet D. Buckingham.....	June 30, 1914
618	Sarah H. Williams.....	June 30, 1912

Physics—Chemistry.

883	Charles E. Tilley.....	June 30, 1914
850	Francis E. Mason.....	June 30, 1914
846	Samuel W. Hoyt.....	June 30, 1914
835	Hercules W. Geromanos.....	June 30, 1911
807	Ambrose B. Warren.....	June 30, 1911
795	Harrison S. Allen.....	June 30, 1914
780	Ralph W. Channell.....	June 30, 1914
775	Lewis P. Chapin.....	June 30, 1914
744	Alfred R. Lincoln.....	June 30, 1911
690	Alva T. Southworth.....	June 30, 1914

SPECIAL CERTIFICATES VALID IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

Commercial Branches.

Rating.	Name.	Men.	Certificate Expires.
709	C. Ross Appler.....		June 30, 1914
675	Edward J. Connell.....		June 30, 1914
659	Samuel B. Trumbull.....		June 30, 1914

Women.

829	Mabel S. Hastings.....	June 30, 1914
794	Annie E. Goodman.....	June 30, 1914
772	Lucy G. Annable.....	June 30, 1914
745	Helen F. Church.....	June 30, 1914
704	Ethel F. Q. Scott.....	June 30, 1914
614	Angie L. Pulsifer.....	June 30, 1914

Drawing and Manual Training.

752	Francis J. Emery.....	June 30, 1914
665	Fred R. Inman.....	June 30, 1914
654	Walter H. Naylor.....	June 30, 1914

Physical Training.

869	Marjorie Bouve.....	June 30, 1914
856	Ellen A. Whalen.....	June 30, 1914
843	Ethel B. Power.....	June 30, 1914
769	Helen G. Dolan.....	June 30, 1914

Special Assistants, Day High Schools.

782	Mary E. Conlin.....	June 30, 1914
645	Veronica E. Doyle.....	June 30, 1914
606	Mabel S. Blackman.....	June 30, 1914

ASSISTANTS TO DIRECTOR IN DRAWING.

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
862	Grace E. Hackett.....	June 30, 1914
785	Jennie E. Bailey.....	June 30, 1914
778	Grace A. Reed.....	June 30, 1914
757	Amy L. Burbank.....	June 30, 1914
723	Harriet F. Smith.....	June 30, 1914

ASSISTANT IN MUSIC.

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
730	Esther G. O'Connor.....	June 30, 1914

ASSISTANT DIRECTORS, PHYSICAL TRAINING AND ATHLETICS.

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires
841	Fred L. Thompson.....	June 30, 1914
827	Louis T. Wallis.....	June 30, 1914
777	James F. Rogers, M.D.....	June 30, 1914
718	Nelson A. Kellogg.....	June 30, 1914

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDI- TURES FOR FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF FINANCIAL YEAR.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of June 1, 1908, submitting a comparative statement of the appropriations, expenditures and balances for the first five months of the current financial year, the expenditures for the last financial year, and the expenditures for the corresponding five months of last year, with the increases in the several items.

Also a communication, under the same date, transmitting diagrams showing the total expenditures, salaries of instructors, and expenditures for supplies and incidentals, and fuel and light for the first five months of the current financial year, and also for the whole of the last school year.

Placed on file.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING RATES, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A report was received from the Business Agent, under date of June 1, 1908, with reference to the communication from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, referred at the meeting of May 18, making various suggestions by which the cost of electric light and power service in school buildings might be decreased, making the following recommendations:—

(1) That the Comins, Wells, South Boston High and such other buildings or parts of buildings used for evening school purposes, or in which the necessary consumption of current during the day is large, and which have fixtures which are suitable for or may be easily made suitable for Tungsten lamps, be so fitted, the fixtures to be thus supplied with lamps to be elected by an officer of the Board, and the total amount to be expended by the Board for such purpose not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500) during the remainder of the current financial year, all of which is to be for lamps.

(2) That the Superintendent be authorized to direct that current be shut off from such buildings for such time as in his judgment light and power can be dispensed with.

(3) That the matter of reduction of number of meters and changes in circuits be referred to the Schoolhouse Commission.

Laid on the table.

ELECTRIC CURRENT, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of June 1, 1908, recommending the consideration of the advisability of installing a generating plant for supplying electricity in the Mechanic Arts High School-house of sufficient capacity to furnish all the current needed for light and power.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to advise this Board as to what plans have been made, if any, to provide an electric generating plant for the Mechanic Arts High School of sufficient capacity to furnish all the electric

current needed for light and power for that school when completed.

SCHOOL BULLETIN.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of June 1, 1908, in response to the order passed at the meeting of May 18, instructing him to investigate and report with reference to the expense of publishing and distributing a school bulletin to be issued once a month, submitting such estimate.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Superintendents be authorized, until otherwise ordered, to issue from time to time as the needs of school administration may require, a printed bulletin for distribution to the supervising staff and teachers of the public schools, a single issue not to exceed four pages in length, and to be limited to 3,000 copies.

COMPENSATION OF JANITORS, EVEN- ING SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of June 1, 1908, submitting a proposed schedule fixing the compensation of janitors of evening high and elementary schools, together with tables explaining the basis for said schedule.

Laid on the table.

CERTIFICATION OF PAY ROLLS, BILLS AND ACCOUNTS BY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of June 1, 1908, with reference to the certification by the Civil Service Commission of all pay rolls, bills and accounts for salary or compensation of persons in the employ of the City of Boston, stating that said certification has been the cause of much additional clerical work and delay, and recommending that the Corporation Counsel be requested to advise the Board if chapter 210 of the acts of 1908 applies to the School Committee.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the Corporation Counsel be requested to advise this Board whether all or any of its pay rolls, bills or accounts for salary or compensation come under the provisions of chapter 210 of the acts of 1908.

PAYMENT TO GEORGE H. MELZARD.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 1, 1908, enclosing a bill in the sum of \$5 from George H. Melzard for services rendered in washing the windows of the Albert Palmer School-house during the April vacation, and recommending that the same be paid.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to George H. Melzard, for services rendered in washing the windows of the Albert Palmer School-house during the April vacation, the sum of five dollars (\$5).

RESIGNATION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 1, 1908, transmitting the resignation of Henry T. Allechin, from the janitorship of Francis Parkman Portable School-house No. 45, to date from May 15, 1908.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND RE-APPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 1, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses—Peter Burns, reappointed from May 22 and from June 1, 1908; amount due from May 12 to 31, 1908, inclusive, \$31.03.

Florence-street School-house—James J. Sullivan, amount due from May 18 to 26, 1908, inclusive, \$16.50; Matthew C. O'Dea, appointed from May 27, 1908; amount due from May 27 to 30, 1908, inclusive, \$7.33.

Old Horace Mann School-house—Edward Powers, appointed from June 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Peter Burns, Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses, from May 12 to 31, 1908, inclusive, thirty-one and 3-100 dollars (\$31.03).

To Matthew C. O'Dea, Florence-street School-house, from May 27 to 30, 1908, inclusive, seven and 33-100 dollars (\$7.33).

To James J. Sullivan, Florence-street School-house, from May 18 to 26, 1908, inclusive, sixteen and 50-100 dollars (\$16.50).

JANITORSHIP, OLD HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 1, 1908, stating that there are no janitors in the service who desire to be considered for transfer to the Old Horace Mann School-house, and recommending that requisition be made upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of eligible candidates for this position.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

JANITORSHIP, EMERSON PRIMARY AND PORTABLE NO. 55 SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 1, 1908, recommending that Michael E. Coleary, janitor of the Cook School-house, be transferred to the janitorship of the Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses, to date from June 3, 1908, to fill the existing vacancy.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of Michael E. Coleary to said position was approved from the date stated.

RECERTIFICATION OF AREAS, QUINCY SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 1, 1908, enclosing a recertification of the areas of the Quincy School-house, made necessary by the addition of the manual training room and the change in the heating apparatus, and recommending that the new salary be established to date from Apr. 13, 1908.

Placed on file, and the Chairman authorized to approve the same from the date stated.

TELEPHONE, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the Auditor enter into a contract with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to equip the West Roxbury High School with a telephone in the four-party line coin box service, without guarantee except for tolls.

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of June, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Ellis.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sections 336 and 337, paragraphs 1. Add the following at the end of each of said paragraphs:—For the requirements of this section with respect to academic study may be substituted such course or courses counting for a degree in a college as the board of superintendents may, from time to time, approve, so that said paragraphs will read as follows:—

Sec. 336. 1. Two promotional examinations shall be held each year, one in October and one in May, for the purpose of determining the efficiency of the teachers in the service. These examinations shall consist of three parts: (1) success in the school during the preceding year, (2) professional study, and (3) academic study in some one line. For the requirements of this section with respect to academic study may be substituted such course or courses counting for a degree in a college as the board of superintendents may, from time to time, approve.

Sec. 337. 1. All teachers who are receiving the sixth year salary of their respective schedules shall be examined by the board of superintendents before being placed upon the seventh year salary of their respective schedules. This examination shall consist of three parts: (1) success in the school during the preceding year, (2) professional study, and (3) academic study in some one line. For the requirements of this section with respect to academic study may be substituted such course or courses counting for a degree in a college as the board of superintendents may, from time to time, approve.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

STATISTICS FOR COMMISSION ON INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

Pursuant to the action of the Board at its last meeting, the Secretary submitted a communication received by him, under date of May 22, 1908, from the Commission on Industrial Education, containing further particulars with regard to the request of that Commission for information relating to pupils attending the public schools.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to reply thereto, stating that it is contrary to the usual custom of the Board to give out personal information relating to public school pupils, and if the Commission desires to have the matter further considered the Board will be glad to have the Chairman or Secretary of the Commission appear before it with regard to the matter.

SCHOOL GARDEN, BLACKINTON SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Caroline E. Nutter, under date of May 26, 1908, with reference to the school garden conducted in the yard of the Blackinton

School, stating that in previous years the Boston School Garden Committee has furnished a teacher for the vacation months and also seeds for this garden, that this year the committee does not seem to be in existence, and requesting that the Board designate a teacher to take charge of the garden.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to reply thereto.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board adjourned at 11:25 o'clock P.M., to meet on Friday, June 5, 1908, at 4:30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 5, 1908.

An adjourned regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 4:42 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: Messrs. Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storror.

USE OF SCHOOL PREMISES FOR ELECTION PURPOSES.

A communication was received from the Board of Election Commissioners, under date of June 3, 1908, requesting permission to use rooms in the Bunker Hill, Harvard, 63 Warrenton-street, Bowdoin and Prince School-houses on Sept. 22, Nov. 3, Nov. 19 and Dec. 15, 1908, for election purposes, stating that the rooms have been previously used for such purposes, and that it will not be necessary to close the schools.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the application was approved, subject to the usual conditions, and that such use shall not interfere with school sessions.

ADDITIONS TO ELIGIBLE LIST.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of June 5, 1908, submitting a supplementary list of candidates rated by that Board on the results of the examinations held in April last, as follows:—

SPECIAL CERTIFICATES VALID IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

Industrial Instructors, Day High Schools.
Household Science.

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires
832	Edith Noyes	June 30, 1914
826	Ruth B. Gibson	June 30, 1914
709	Edith G. Emery	June 30, 1914

Dressmaking.

846	Alma I. Long	June 30, 1914
830	Anna M. Stockbridge	June 30, 1914
810	Mary H. Brown	June 30, 1914
810	Margaret G. Moore (Mrs.)	June 30, 1914
778	Margaret A. Foran	June 30, 1914
771	Helen A. Bray	June 30, 1914
706	Lana Bishop	June 30, 1914

Millinery.

817	Annie G. Bullard	June 30, 1914
813	Clara S. Gay	June 30, 1914
755	Mary A. Wogan	June 30, 1914

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire From the Service.)

East Boston High School—Carrie L. Worthen, special instructor in physical training, Sept. 1, 1908.

Franklin District—Leona N. Crowell, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—Mabel M. Winslow, first assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Harriet E. Kingsbury, Mar. 18, 1908, one day.
Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Brighton High School—Annie E. Goodman, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, from Sept. 9, 1908.

East Boston High School—Marjorie Bouve, special instructor in physical training, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Girls' High School—Bertha A. Bonart, assistant instructor; Mabel S. Hastings, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, from Sept. 9, 1908.

High School of Commerce—Leonard B. Moulton, junior-master; Edward Berge-Soler, instructor; Francis E. Mason, junior-master; De Lorna A. Morrow, instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Roxbury High School—K. Isabel Mann, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

High School of Commerce—Newton D. Clarke, junior-master, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Franklin District—Emma F. Jenkins, master's assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Hancock District—Julia E. Keith, first assistant, kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Rice District—Evelyn L. Barrows, first assistant, kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Laid over.

TRANSFERS.

Brighton High School—Bernadette M. White, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, on probation, to the same position, on probation, in the Charlestown High School, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Rice District—Anna M. White, first assistant, kindergarten, to the same position in the Mary Hemenway District, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

ATTENDANT IN KINDERGARTEN.

Warren District—(Copley Kindergarten), Alice Phalan, from June 2, 1908.
Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Bowdoin District—Gertrude G. O'Brien, assistant, May 12, 1908, one-half day; Serena J. Frye, first assistant, kindergarten, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Christopher Gibson District—Rose E. A. Redding, first assistant in charge, May 7 and 8, 1908, two days.

Dearborn District—Mattie M. Clough, assistant, May 4 and 5, 1908, one and one-half days.

Dwight District—Ella T. Burgess, first assistant, kindergarten, May 27, 28, and 29, 1908, three days.

Eliot District—Katharine G. Sutcliffe, assistant, June 1, 1908, one-half day.

Emerson District—James H. Leary, sub-master, May 25, 1908, one day.

Hancock District—Eleanor A. M. Colleton, assistant, May 28, 1908, one day.

Lincoln District—Mary E. McCarthy, assistant, kindergarten, May 25, 1908, one day.

Martin District—Teresa R. Flaherty, assistant, Apr. 28, 1908, one-half day; Mary

C. Rogers, assistant, Mar. 22, 1908, one-half day.

Mary Hemenway District—Ida K. McGiffert, first assistant in charge, June 1, 2, and 3, 1908, three days.

Shurtleff District—Ella G. Fitzgerald, assistant, from June 1 to 20, 1908.

Thomas N. Hart District—Anastasia G. Hyde, assistant, from May 1 to 31, 1908.

William E. Russell District—Stella M. Coates, assistant, May 12, 1908, one-half day.

Winthrop District—Marguerite C. Cronan, assistant, from May 8 until June 19, 1908.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study and travel, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909:—

Girls' High School—Margaret J. Patterson, special assistant instructor in drawing.

Adams District—Eleanor C. Butler, assistant.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without pay was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Bowdoin District—Annetta F. Armes, assistant, from July 1 until Sept. 9, 1908.

George Putnam District—Anna H. O'Connell, assistant, May 29, 1908, one-half day.

Hyde District—Celia Bamber, assistant, May 29, 1908, one-half day.

Prince District—Abbie E. Wilson, assistant, May 28, 1908, one-half day.

William E. Russell District—Charlotte K. Holmes, assistant, June 16, 18, and 19, 1908, three days.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted the following-named teacher, on half-pay, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, and her resignation accepted to take effect on the latter date:—

Franklin District—Jennie S. Tower, master's assistant.

Subsequently, the Board took up the report of the Superintendent, laid on the table at the last meeting, recommending that leave of absence under a suspension of the rules be granted certain teachers for the terms specified and on the conditions stated. (See minutes, p. 90.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the rules were suspended, and leaves of absence granted accordingly.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-nine minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of seven to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

ORDERED, That the amendment to the regulations offered and laid over at the last meeting (see minutes, pp. 91, 92), be further amended as follows:—

Section 291, paragraph 13. Insert the following at the end of said paragraph:—

In the Charlestown High School, one special assistant instructor in commercial branches, instead of an assistant instructor.

In the Roxbury High School, one special instructor in commercial branches, instead of an instructor, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches instead

of an assistant instructor.

In the South Boston High School, one special assistant instructor in drawing, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches, instead of assistant instructors.

Renumber former paragraphs 12 and 13 as 15 and 16.

Laid over.

APPROPRIATION FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING, PHILLIPS DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 5, 1908, transmitting a copy of a vote passed by the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, transferring, with the approval of His Honor the Mayor, the sum of \$158,000 from the appropriation of \$358,000 made in 1907 for a new elementary school building in the Phillips District, to be expended for providing increased facilities for egress from school buildings by means of the erection of fire escapes and otherwise, and making alterations in existing school buildings, so as to render the occupants thereof less liable to injury in case of fire, the transfer being made under the provisions of chapter 524 of the acts of 1908.

Mr. Sturges, Chairman of the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, appeared, and was heard on the subject.

The communication was placed on file.

FRANCIS PARKMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The Board took up the three orders offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of May 13, establishing the Francis Parkman Elementary School District, and the boundary lines thereof, also establishing new boundary lines for the Agassiz, Bowditch, and Charles Sumner Elementary School Districts, to take effect Sept. 1, 1908. (See minutes, pp. 84, 85.)

The orders collectively passed.

PRINCIPAL, FRANCIS PARKMAN DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, and under a suspension of the rules, the Board took up the appointment reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting, of Arthur Stanley as Principal, with the rank of Master, of the Francis Parkman District, to date from Sept. 1, 1908.

The appointment was approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Ellis, Magenis, Scannell, and Storror—4.

Nays—0.

COMPENSATION OF TEACHERS AND NURSES ABSENT FROM DUTY.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of June 5, 1908, recommending a change in the regulations with respect to the compensation of teachers and nurses absent from duty.

Placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 7 o'clock P.M., to meet on Monday, June 8, at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 8, 1908.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:39 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis, Scannell, and Storrow.

AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the minutes of the meeting of June 1 were amended on page 90 in the first column under leaves of absence, under a suspension of the rules, by substituting, the date:—June 18, for the date "June 17" as one of the two dates on which Mabel A. Fitz, assistant in the Girls' High School was granted leave of absence without pay.

On motion of the same member, the reading of the records of the meetings of June 1 and 5 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed as amended.

STATISTICS FOR COMMISSION ON INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

The communication from the Massachusetts Commission on Industrial Education, requesting permission to obtain certain statistics relating to pupils in the elementary schools, laid on the table at the meeting of May 18, was taken from the table, and pursuant to the action taken by the Board at the meeting of June 1, Charles H. Morse, Secretary of said Commission, appeared, and was heard on the subject.

Subsequently, the communication was placed on file, and the request of the Commission on Industrial Education that pupils in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades be permitted to fill out cards with the following information; viz., name of school, grade, name of pupil, age of pupil in years and months, name of father, address, expectation with regard to graduation from an elementary school, expectation with regard to further school attendance after graduation from an elementary school, was approved.

RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Superintendent, was presented:—

(To Retire from the Service).

Girls' High School—Isabel S. Skinner, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, Sept. 1, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments by the Superintendent were presented:—

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Clara S. Gay, Ruth B. Gibson, industrial instructors, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Mechanic Arts High School—Frederick G. Getchell, junior-master, Francis J. Emery, special assistant instructor, mechanical department, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Charlestown High School—John W. Regan, junior-master, Katharine E. Leonard, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Laid over.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

Subsequently, the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meetings of June 1, and June 5, were taken up.

The appointments were approved.

Also, the appointments of principals of evening high and evening elementary schools, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of June 1, were taken up.

The appointments were approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, and Scannell

—3.

Nays=0.

BOUNDARY LINES, DILLAWAY DISTRICT.

The Superintendent offered the following: ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the boundaries of the Dillaway District for girls shall be as follows:—

Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the centres of Ruggles, Tremont, Texas, Elmwood, and Gardner streets to Centre street; thence by the rear of the northwesterly side of Centre street to Marcella street; thence by both sides of Marcella, Washington, Elmore and Kensington streets to Bainbridge street; thence by the centre of Bainbridge street to Dale street; thence by both sides of Dale street to Regent street; thence by the centre of Regent street to Warren street; thence by the centre of Warren street to Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the centres of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

Laid over.

BOUNDARY LINES, LEWIS DISTRICT.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the boundaries of the Lewis District for boys and girls shall be as follows:—

Beginning at the junction of Dale and Regent streets; thence by the centre of Regent street to Warren street; thence by the centre of Warren street to Winthrop street; thence by the centres of Winthrop street and Blue Hill avenue to Maywood street; thence by the rear of the northerly side of Maywood street to Warren street; thence by the centre of Warren street to Blue Hill avenue; thence by the centres of Blue Hill avenue and Seaver street to Humboldt avenue; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Humboldt avenue to Townsend street; thence by the centres of Townsend and Washington streets to Marcella street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Washington street to Elmore street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Elmore street to Kensington street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Kensington street to Bainbridge street; thence by the centre of Bainbridge street to Dale street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Dale street to the point of beginning.

Laid over.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 282. Add a paragraph, to be numbered 4:—

4. At all other times, when the appoint-

ment of an additional teacher is under consideration, the average number of pupils belonging during the preceding twenty school days, including those who have been temporarily discharged, shall be used in determining the number and rank of teachers to which the school or district is entitled.

Laid over.

EMPLOYMENT OF GRACE A. REED, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent it was ORDERED, That the employment in the Brighton High School of Grace A. Reed, an assistant in the Prescott District, for such portion of the school year 1908-1909 as the Superintendent may deem expedient, is hereby authorized, Miss Reed to be paid at the same rate as if she were teaching as an assistant in a grammar school.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That while Grace A. Reed, because of her service in the Brighton High School is absent from her regular position in the Prescott School, her place in that school may be filled by a temporary teacher.

EMPLOYMENT OF JENNIE E. BAILEY, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the employment in the Girls' High School of Jennie E. Bailey, an assistant in the Lawrence District, for such portion of the school year 1908-1909 as the Superintendent may deem expedient, is hereby authorized, Miss Bailey to be paid at the same rate as if she were teaching as an assistant in a grammar school.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That while Jennie E. Bailey, because of her service in the Girls' High School, is absent from her regular position in the Lawrence School, her place in that school may be filled by a temporary teacher.

USE OF SCHOOL BUILDING FOR CLASSES IN GERMAN.

Mr. Ellis, presented a communication from Dr. Rudolph Mertin, under date of June 8, 1908, on behalf of a committee of the United German Clubs, requesting permission to occupy a school building, centrally located, on Saturdays for the purpose of giving instruction in German to any child who may desire to receive the same, the entire expense to be assumed by the societies interested.

Laid over, and the Secretary directed to notify the committee that the Board will consider said application at its next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the doors were opened.

SALARIES OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the compensation of truant officers hereafter appointed shall be established at the following rate until otherwise ordered: First year \$1080, annual increase \$80, maximum \$1400.

SALARY SCHEDULE FOR TEACHERS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the following fourteen orders, establishing a salary schedule for teachers for the year ending Aug. 31, 1909, were collectively passed:—

1. ORDERED, That the salaries of

teachers in the public schools be fixed for the year ending Aug. 31, 1909, as contained in the following schedule:—

NORMAL SCHOOL.

Head-Master, first year \$3204, annual increase \$144, maximum.....	\$3783
Masters, first year \$2340, annual increase \$144, maximum.....	3204
Junior Masters, first year \$1476, annual increase \$144, maximum.....	2623
Instructors, first year \$1200, annual increase \$120, maximum.....	2040
Assistant Instructors, first year \$900, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1548
First Assistants, first year \$1332, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1836
Supervisor of Practice, first year \$1332, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1836
Assistants, first year \$1140, annual increase \$60, maximum.....	1620
Instructor in Drawing.....	2508
Clerical Assistant, first year \$600, annual increase \$60, maximum.....	720

LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

Head-Masters appointed before June 1, 1906.....	\$3780
Head-Masters appointed after June 1, 1906, first year \$3204, annual increase \$144, maximum.....	3780
Masters who are heads of departments, first year \$2340, annual increase \$144, maximum.....	3204
Masters appointed before June 1, 1906.....	3060
Junior Masters appointed before June 1, 1906, first year \$1476, annual increase for eleven years \$144, salary for the twelfth and subsequent years with the rank of Master.....	3060
Junior Masters appointed after June 1, 1906, first year \$1476, annual increase \$144, maximum.....	2623
Instructors, appointed before June 1, 1906, first year \$1500, annual increase \$120, maximum.....	2340
Instructors, appointed after June 1, 1906, first year \$1200, annual increase \$120, maximum.....	2040
Assistant Instructors, appointed before June 1, 1906, first year \$972, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1620
Assistant Instructors appointed after June 1, 1906, first year \$900, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1548
Assistant Principals, first year \$1620, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1836
The rank of assistant principal shall be abolished as the position becomes vacant by the retirement of the present incumbents.	
First Assistants, first year \$1332, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1836

Assistants, first year \$972, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1620
Special Assistants, first year \$600, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	960
Clerical Assistants, first year \$600, annual increase \$60, maximum.....	720

Instructor of Metal Working (Mechanic Arts High School).....

2580
The rank of instructor of metal working shall be abolished on the retirement of the present incumbent.

Special Instructor in Mechanical Department (Mechanic Arts High School) first year \$1200, annual increase \$120, maximum.....	2040
Special Assistant Instructors in mechanical department (Mechanic Arts High School) first year \$900, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1548
Special Assistants in Mechanical Department (Mechanic Arts High School) per day, first year \$1.50, second and subsequent years.....	2.00

Industrial Instructors (Girls' High School of Practical Arts) first year \$1020, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	1236
Industrial Assistants (Girls' High School of Practical Arts) first year \$600, annual increase \$72, maximum.....	960

SPECIAL INSTRUCTORS—LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

Chemistry.

*Special Assistant Instructor in Chemistry,
Girls' High School.....\$1044

Commercial Branches.

Special Instructors, appointed before June 1, 1906, first year \$1200, annual increase \$120, maximum..... 2280
Special Instructors, appointed after June 1, 1906, first year \$1200, annual increase \$120, maximum..... 2040
Special Assistant Instructors, first year \$900, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1548

Drawing.

Special Instructor in Drawing, English High School..... 2508
Special Instructors in Drawing and Manual Training, appointed before June 1, 1906, first year \$1500, annual increase \$120, maximum..... 2340
Special Instructors in Drawing and Manual Training, appointed after June 1, 1906, first year \$1440, annual increase \$120, maximum..... 2040
Special Assistant Instructors in Drawing, first year \$900, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1548

Modern Languages.

Special Instructor in German (Girls' Latin School) first year \$1200, annual increase \$120, maximum..... 2040
The rank of special instructor in German shall be abolished on the retirement of the present incumbent.
Special Assistant Instructors in French, first year \$900, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1548
The rank of special assistant instructors in French shall be abolished on the retirement of the present incumbents.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Masters, first year \$2580, annual increase \$120, maximum.....\$3180
Sub-Masters, first year \$1500, annual increase \$120, maximum..... 2340
Masters' Assistants, first year \$972, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 1308
First Assistants, Grammar School, first year \$972, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 1212
First Assistants, Primary School, first year \$984, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 1080
The rank of first assistant primary school, shall be abolished on the retirement of the present incumbents.
First Assistants in Charge, first year \$972, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 1116
Assistants, first year \$552, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 936
Special Assistants in grades, per day..... 1.75

KINDERGARTENS.

Director\$1800
First Assistants, first year \$624, increase in the second year \$24, annual increase for the third and subsequent years \$48, maximum..... 792
Assistants, first year \$432, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 624
Special Assistants per day..... 1.50

HORACE MANN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

Principal, first year \$2580, annual increase \$120, maximum.....\$3180
Assistant Principal, first year \$1152, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1584
Assistants, first year \$780, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1284
Special Assistants per day..... 1.75

SCHOOL ON SPECTACLE ISLAND.

Teacher, first year \$552, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 648
Other expenses connected with the school except for books..... 48

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Director, first year \$1980, annual increase \$120, maximum..... 2580

High.

Principal, Central School, per week..... 50
Principals, local schools, per week..... 30
Special Assistants, per evening..... 3.50
Second Special Assistant, Central School, per evening..... 2.00
Assistants, per evening..... 4.00
Special Teachers, per evening..... 2.50
Typewriting Assistants, per evening..... 2.00
Laboratory Assistants, per evening..... 2.00
Pianists, per evening..... 1.50

Elementary.

Principals, per week..... 25.00
First Assistants, per evening..... 2.50
Assistants, per evening..... 2.00
Interpreters, per evening..... 2.00

Drawing.

Masters, per evening..... 10.00
The rank of Master in evening drawing schools shall be abolished on the retirement of the present incumbents.
Principals, per evening, first year \$7.00, second year and subsequently..... 8.00
Assistants, per evening, first year \$4.00, second year \$5.00, third year and subsequently..... 6.00

SPECIAL DEPARTMENTS.

Drawing and Manual Training.

Director of Drawing and Manual Training.....\$3000
Assistant Director of Drawing and Manual Training..... 2623
Assistant in Manual Training, first year \$1500, annual increase \$120, maximum..... 2340
Assistants in Drawing, first year \$1212, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1500
Instructors in Manual Training, Elementary Schools, first year \$1056, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 1200
Assistant Instructors in Manual Training, Elementary Schools, first year \$804, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 936

Household Science and Arts.

Supervisor first year \$1212, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1500
Teachers in schools of cookery, first year \$552, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 936
Teachers of Sewing, first year \$552, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 936

Music.

Director 2000
Assistant Directors, first year \$2004, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 2652
Assistants in, first year \$996, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 1236

School Hygiene.

Director of School Hygiene..... 3758

Physical Training.

Assistant Directors of Physical Training, first year \$1800, annual increase \$120, maximum..... 2400
Instructors in Athletics, first year \$1212, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1500
Assistant Instructors in Athletics, first year \$900, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1116
Special Instructors in Physical Training, appointed before June 1, 1906..... 1200
Special Instructors in Physical Training, appointed after June 1, 1906, first year \$900, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1188
Special Assistant Instructors in Physical Training, first year \$612, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 900

Military Drill.

Instructor 2004
Armorer 1050

Nurses.

Supervising Nurse, first year \$1212, annual increase \$72, maximum..... 1500
Assistant Nurses, first year \$648, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 840

Special Classes.

Medical Inspector..... 1008
Assistants, first year \$906, annual increase \$48, maximum..... 1032

Playgrounds.

Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds (men) (two sessions).....	5.00
Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds (men) (morning session).....	3.00
Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds (men) (afternoon session).....	2.00
Supervisors of schoolyard playgrounds (men) from close of school until 5:30 o'clock P. M.....	1.50
First Assistants in playgrounds (men) (two sessions).....	3.00
First Assistants in playgrounds (men) (one session)	2.00
First Assistants in playgrounds (men) from close of school until 5:30 o'clock P. M.....	1.50
First Assistants in playgrounds (women) (two sessions).....	2.00
First Assistants in playgrounds (women) (one session).....	1.20
First Assistants in playgrounds (women) from close of school until 5:30 P. M.....	1.00
Playteachers (men) (morning session).....	3.00
Playteachers (men) from close of school until 5:30 P. M.....	1.50
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Assistants in playgrounds (two sessions)....	1.25
Assistants in playgrounds (one session).....	.75
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Assistants in sand gardens (two sessions)...	.75
Assistants in sand gardens (one session)....	.50
Janitors of yards used for playgrounds or sand gardens, including one room or basement, per week.....	5.00
Janitors of yards used for playgrounds or sand gardens where building is also occupied as a school, (per week).....	1.50
Payments to be based upon the number of class rooms actually used, at the rate for each additional room per diem.....	.07

TEACHERS SPECIALLY ASSIGNED.

To disciplinary classes, per month in addition to the regular salary of their rank....	\$8.00
To the Model School, sub-master, per month, in addition to the regular salary of his rank	20.00
To the Model School, Masters' Assistant, First Assistant in Charge, Assistants in grades, First Assistant in Kindergarten and Assistant in Kindergarten, per month in addition to the regular salary of their rank	8.00

SUPERVISOR OF SUBSTITUTES.

Supervisor of Substitutes, first year \$2530, annual increase \$120, maximum.....	3180
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2. ORDERED, That the compensation of substitutes and temporary teachers be fixed for the year ending Aug. 31, 1909, at the following rate for each day of actual service, one session days being reckoned as whole days:—

Masters, and Junior Masters, Normal, Latin and High Schools.....	\$5.00
First Assistants, Assistants, Instructors and Special Instructors, Normal, Latin and High Schools.....	4.00
Assistant Instructors, and Special Assistant Instructors, Normal, Latin and High Schools	3.00
Industrial Instructors, Girls' High School of Practical Arts.....	2.50
Industrial Assistants, Girls' High School of Practical Arts.....	2.00
Special Assistants, Latin and High Schools.....	2.00
Assistants, Elementary Schools.....	2.00
Assistants, Horace Mann School.....	2.00
First Assistants, Kindergarten.....	1.75
Assistants, Kindergarten.....	1.50
Teachers of Cookery, Sewing and Wood-working	2.00
Assistant Nurses.....	2.00

and that the compensation of substitutes and temporary teachers of other ranks than those enumerated herein shall be one

four-hundredth part of the minimum salary of the respective ranks for each day of actual service; provided, that the minimum pay of no substitute shall be less than two dollars (\$2.00) for each day of actual service, except as above provided.

3. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the master in the Normal School designated to take charge of the Model School, be placed upon the third year of the schedule of his rank, viz., \$2628, and advanced until the maximum of the rank is reached.

4. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the rank of Jacob Lehmann, special instructor in German in the Girls' High and Girls' Latin Schools, be that of special instructor in German in the Girls' Latin School, and that he be placed upon the seventh year of the schedule for that position; namely, \$1920, and advanced until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

5. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the rank of Henri Morand, assistant instructor of modern languages, shall be that of instructor, in the Dorchester High School, and that he be placed upon the seventh year of the schedule for that position; viz., \$1920, and advanced until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

6. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the rank of the special instructor in French in the Roxbury High School shall be that of special assistant instructor in French, and that she be placed upon the fifth year of the schedule for that position; namely, \$1260, and advanced until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

7. ORDERED, that from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the rank of the special instructor in French in the South Boston High School shall be that of special assistant instructor in French, and that she be placed upon the fifth year of the schedule for that position, viz., \$1260, and advanced until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

8. ORDERED, That for the year ending Aug. 31, 1909, those instructors in the Mechanic Arts High School who are required by the daily program to perform extra service outside of the regular school hours, be paid in addition to the regular salaries of their respective ranks, at the rate of two dollars (\$2.00) for each recitation period of extra service, with the exception of the teachers of shop work, who shall be paid in addition to their regular salaries at the rate of three dollars (\$3.00) for each shop period of extra service, and that the special assistants in the mechanical department be paid, in addition to their regular compensation, at the rate of fifty cents (\$.50) per day, during such part of the year as such daily program requiring extra service may be continued.

9. ORDERED, That the salary of Ella Whiting, a teacher of sewing, for the year ending Aug. 31, 1909, be fixed at the rate of \$840 per annum, she having but five-sixths (5-6) time.

10. ORDERED, That for the year ending Aug. 31, 1909, any teacher who may be designated by the Superintendent, in accordance with the regulations, to fill a vacancy caused by the death or disability of a principal of a school or district or of a director or head of a special department for a continuous period exceeding two weeks, shall receive, in addition to his or her regular salary, one-half of the difference between the said salary and the minimum salary of the higher position, during the time of such service, but not including the summer vacation. Teachers who may similarly be designated to fill positions of master's assistant, or first assistant in charge, shall be paid at the rate of eight dollars (\$8.00) per month in addition to the regular salary of their rank.

11. ORDERED, that from and after Sept. 1, 1908, Mary A. Carney, clerical assistant in the Normal School, be placed upon the second year of the schedule of

her rank; viz., \$660, and advanced until the maximum of the rank is reached.

12. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, Ella C. Jordan, assistant principal in the Horace Mann School, be placed upon the next higher salary of the new schedule; viz., \$1512, and advanced until the maximum of the rank is reached.

13. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 12, 1908, the rank of Ernest V. Page, junior master, head of the department of business technique in the Brighton High School, be that of master, head of the department of commercial branches in the Brighton High School, and that he be placed upon the first year of the schedule of his new rank; namely, \$2340, and advanced until the maximum of the rank is reached.

14. ORDERED, That the salaries of the eight masters named below, who were appointed masters, heads of departments, on Mar. 15, 1907, and who, by an order passed on Mar. 4, 1907, were prevented from receiving the usual increases in salary provided by the regulations for teachers similarly promoted, be adjusted as follows, in order that they may severally receive, after the first year of service in their new rank, the exact compensation which the salary schedule provides for teachers of similar rank.

That William P. Henderson, master, head of the department of French in the Public Latin School, be placed upon the maximum salary of his rank to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and that he be paid for the year ending Aug. 31, 1909, at the rate of \$66 in addition to his regular salary.

That Sidney Peterson, master, head of the department of science in the Brighton High School, be placed upon the second year of service in his rank to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and that he be placed upon the third year of service in his rank to date from Feb. 12, 1909, and advanced until the maximum is reached.

That George D. Bussey, master, head of the department of science in the East Boston High School, be placed upon the fifth year of service in his rank to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and that he be placed upon the sixth year of service in his rank to date from Dec. 23, 1908, and advanced until the maximum is reached.

That Thomas H. H. Knight, master, head of the department of commercial branches in the Girls' High School, be placed upon the fifth year of service in his rank, to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and that he be placed upon the sixth year of service in his rank to date from Dec. 23, 1908, and advanced until the maximum is reached.

That Thomas L. Hanson, master, head of the department of English in the Mechanic Arts High School, be placed upon the fifth year of service in his rank, to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and that he be placed upon the sixth year of service in his rank to date from Dec. 23, 1908, and advanced until the maximum is reached.

That William I. Corthell, master, head of the department of history in the South Boston High School, be placed upon the second year of service in his rank to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and that he be placed upon the third year of service in his rank to date from Feb. 12, 1909, and advanced until the maximum is reached.

That Milford S. Power, master, head of the department of mathematics in the Dorchester High School, be placed upon the fifth year of service in his rank to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and that he be placed upon the maximum salary of his rank to date from Sept. 15, 1908.

That George A. Cowen, master, head of the department of science in the West Roxbury High School, be placed upon the third year of service in his rank to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and that he be placed upon the fourth year of service in his rank to date from Mar. 8, 1909, and advanced until the maximum is reached.

INDUSTRIAL INSTRUCTORS, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL OF PRACTICAL ARTS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the order laid on the table at the meeting of Feb. 20 (see p. 39), establishing the salary of industrial instructors in the Girls' High School of Practical Arts for the year ending Aug. 31, 1908, was taken from the table, and placed on file.

SALARIES OF PHYSICAL TRAINING TEACHERS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received at the meeting of May 4 (see pp. 81, 82) from Blanche A. Bemis and other high school physical training teachers, requesting that their compensation be placed upon the same basis as that of other special instructors in high schools, was taken from the table, and placed on file.

Mr. Brock in the Chair.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Board proceeded to consider its list of unfinished business and acted thereon as follows:—

Communication received from the School-house Custodian at the meeting of Jan. 3, 1908, relative to a system for promotion of janitors. (See p. 198.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, placed on file.

Order offered by Mr. Magenis, at the meeting of Jan. 14, relative to the adoption of Key to the Study of Gaelic, with Exercises and Vocabularies, by John O'Daly, as a text-book in evening high schools. (See p. 5.)

On motion of Dr. Scannell, placed on file.

Orders offered by the Superintendent, at the meeting of Mar. 16, amending Sects. 315, 317, par. 5, and 334, par. 2, of the regulations, relative to leaves of absence to teachers, and deduction from salaries for absence. (See pp. 53, 54.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, placed on file.

Order offered by Dr. Scannell, at the meeting of Mar. 16, authorizing various maps, charts and atlases for reference use in any of the schools. (See p. 55.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent, at the meeting of June 1, amending Sect. 45 of the rules, relative to the authorized list of text and supplementary books, dictionaries, encyclopedias, atlases, globes, maps and charts. (See p. 91.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, placed on file.

Order offered by the Superintendent at the meeting of June 1, amending Sect. 290, par. 3, of the regulations, relative to the appointment of a special assistant or clerical assistant in the Normal School. (See p. 91.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the order passed.

Order offered by the Superintendent at the meeting of June 1, amending Sect. 292, par. 4, of the regulations, relative to number of teachers in elementary schools. (See p. 92.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the order passed.

Plan for a pension system for Boston school teachers, presented by Messrs. Brock and Ellis at the meeting of Mar. 19, 1907, and laid on the table. (See pp. 33-40.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, taken from the table and placed on file.

Communication from Lindsay Swift, on behalf of the Trustees of the Alumnae Association of the Girls' Latin School, relative to the erection of a tablet and naming of the hall in said school, laid on the table at the meeting of Dec. 2, 1907. (See p. 180.)

On motion of Mr. Ellis, taken from the table and placed on file.

Communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian, recommending payment of \$5.30 to Samuel Clark for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, laid on the table at the meeting of Jan. 3, 1908. (See p. 137.)

On motion of Dr. Scannell, taken from the table and placed on file.

On motion of the same member, it was ORDERED, That there be paid to Samuel Clark the sum of five and 30-100 dollars (\$5.30) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, from Dec. 5 to 7, 1907, inclusive.

Communication from the Superintendent, relative to the appointment and salaries of clerks or special assistants in Normal, Latin and high schools, laid on the table at the meeting of Feb. 20. (See p. 38.)

On motion of Dr. Scannell, taken from the table and placed on file.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Sect. 290, par. 3, of the regulations, relative to the appointment of a clerk or special assistant in the Normal School, laid on the table at the meeting of Feb. 20. (See p. 38.)

Placed on file.

Order offered by the Superintendent, amending Sect. 291, par. 10, of the regulations, relative to the appointment of clerks or special assistants in high and Latin schools, laid on the table at the meeting of Feb. 20. (See p. 38.)

On motion of Dr. Scannell, placed on file.

Orders offered by the Superintendent, amending Sect. 291, pars. 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, of the regulations, relative to the number and rank of teachers in Latin and high schools, laid over at the meetings of June 1 and June 5. (See pp. 91, 92, 98.)

On motion of the Superintendent, the aforesaid paragraphs of said section were amended to read as follows, and former paragraphs 12 and 13 were renumbered as paragraphs 15 and 16:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 291, paragraphs 10 and 11. Strike out the paragraphs and substitute in place thereof the following:—

10. In each high and Latin school two additional teachers may be appointed as follows:—

Public Latin School, two junior masters. Girls' Latin School, one assistant and one special instructor in German. The rank of special instructor in German shall be abolished upon the retirement of the present incumbent.

Mechanic Arts High School, two instructors.

High School of Commerce, one special instructor in commercial branches, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts, one special assistant instructor in drawing and one industrial instructor.

Brighton High School, one special instructor in drawing and manual training, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

Charlestown High School, one special instructor in commercial branches, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

Dorchester High School, one special assistant instructor in commercial branches and one instructor.

East Boston High School, one special instructor in commercial branches, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

English High School, one special instructor in drawing, and one special instructor in commercial branches.

Girls' High School, two special assistant instructors in commercial branches.

Roxbury High School, one special assistant instructor in drawing, and one special assistant instructor in French. The rank of special assistant instructor in French in the Roxbury High School shall be abolished upon the retirement of the present incumbent.

South Boston High School, one special assistant instructor in commercial branches, and one special assistant instructor in French. The rank of special assistant instructor in French in the South Boston High School shall be abolished upon the retirement of the present incumbent.

West Roxbury High School, one special instructor in commercial branches, and one special assistant instructor in drawing.

11. In each high and Latin school attended by girls, one special instructor in physical training may be appointed, and when the number of pupils belonging exceeds 600, a special assistant instructor in physical training may also be appointed.

12. In each high and Latin school, one special assistant or one clerical assistant may be appointed.

13. Teachers of ranks other than those prescribed in the preceding regulations may be substituted for teachers to which the school is entitled under the regulations as follows:—

In the Charlestown High School, one special assistant instructor in commercial branches, instead of an assistant instructor.

In the Dorchester High School, two special instructors in commercial branches, and one special instructor in drawing and manual training instead of instructors; one special assistant instructor in commercial branches, and two special assistant instructors in drawing instead of assistant instructors.

In the East Boston High School, one special instructor in drawing and manual training instead of an assistant.

In the Girls' High School, two special assistant instructors in commercial branches, one special assistant instructor in chemistry, and one special assistant instructor in drawing instead of assistant instructors.

In the Mechanic Arts High School, one first assistant instead of one instructor.

In the Roxbury High School, one special instructor in commercial branches instead of an instructor, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches instead of an assistant instructor.

In the South Boston High School, one special assistant instructor in drawing, and one special assistant instructor in commercial branches instead of assistant instructors.

In the West Roxbury High School, one special assistant instructor in commercial branches instead of an assistant instructor.

14. In the Mechanic Arts High School there may also be appointed five instructors, special instructors or special assistant instructors in the mechanical department, and one special assistant in the mechanical department for each shop or work room in constant use.

Renumber former paragraphs 12 and 13 as 15 and 16.

That part of the aforesaid order further amending paragraph 14 of said section was laid over.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the remainder of the order passed as amended.

Order offered by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of June 1 (see p. 92), establishing evening schools for the term of 1908-09.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, that part of the order relating to evening high and evening elementary schools was passed, and that part relating to evening drawing schools was again laid over.

JANITORSHIP, OLD HORACE MANN
SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of June 8, 1908, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of June 1, stating that the Civil Service Commission has certified the following-named persons as eligible for appointment to the janitorship of the Old Horace Mann School-house: Robert J. Walsh, Edward J. Powers, and Charles E. Fales.

Placed on file.

SCHOOL CENSUS.

A proposition was received from John W. Slavin, under date of June 6, 1908, to take the school census for the current year for the sum of \$1650.

Placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the proposal of John W. Slavin to take the school census for the current year for the sum of sixteen hundred fifty dollars (\$1650) be and the same hereby is accepted.

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILD-
ING, ROXBURY.

A communication was received from Thomas M. Watson, under date of June 8, 1908, stating the need for a new elementary school building in that part of Roxbury bounded by Dale, Townsend, and Washington streets and Walnut avenue.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to reply thereto.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 11:11 o'clock P. M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 15, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 5:35 o'clock p.m., the Chairman presiding.

Present:—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting. The appointments were approved.

ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENT OF TEACHERS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That teachers now in the service in excess of the number allowed by the regulations be re-elected for the school year 1908-1909 with assignment to the schools in which they have served, the Superintendent to place them next fall, except as specified in School Document No. 3, 1908, Appointments for Re-election, in schools in which vacancies regularly occur: They are

On Probation.

Brighton High School—Bernadette M. White, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, instead of a special assistant, to which the school is entitled under the regulations; Frankie E. Sullivan, assistant instructor.

East Boston High School—Edith Rose, assistant instructor, instead of a special assistant to which the school is entitled under the regulations.

Roxbury High School—Mary F. Gould, assistant.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That teachers of higher rank than the regulations permit, in accordance with the recommendations of the Superintendent, as contained and specified in School Document No. 3, 1908, Appointments for Re-election, with the exception of a sub-master in the Bennett District, be continued in the service for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1909.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That ungraded classes in excess of the number allowed by the regulations, as specified in School Document No. 3, 1908, Appointments for Re-election, are hereby authorized for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1909.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

The Board proceeded to consider the annual appointments and re-appointments of teachers, to date from Sept. 1, 1908, as submitted by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of June 1, and acted thereon as follows:—

To Serve During the Pleasure of the School Committee.

Charlestown High School—George W. Evans, head-master.

High School of Commerce—Frank V. Thompson, head-master.

Sherwin District—Edward P. Shute, master.

Thomas Gardner District—Charles F. Merrick, master.

Washington District—Benjamin J. Hinds, master.

Household Science and Arts—Josephine Morris, supervisor.

Substitutes—Mary C. Mellyn, supervisor. Kindergartens—Caroline D. Aborn, director.

Approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow—4.

Nays—0.

Special Assistant Instructor in Physical Training—Dorchester High School, Mary F. Stratton.

Approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

To serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1909.

Girls' High School—Albert P. Walker, head-master.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Herbert S. Weaver, head-master.

Brimmer District—George W. Ransom, master.

Bunker Hill District—Frank L. Keith, master.

Dillaway District—Emma S. Gulliver, master.

Eliot District—John F. McGrath, master.

Drawing and Manual Training—Walter Sargent, director.

School Hygiene—Thomas F. Harrington, director.

Approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow—4.

Nays—0.

Special Instructors of Physical Training—Brighton High School, Sara L. Shaw; East Boston High School, Carrie L. Worthen.

Special Assistant Instructors of Physical Training—Charlestown High School, Miriam Harris; Girls' High School, J. Loretta Nagle.

Approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

On Probation.

Evening and Vacation Schools—Maurice J. O'Brien, director.

Supervisor of Practice—Gertrude E. Bigelow.

Approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow—4.

Nays—0.

Also a list of appointments and reappointments of subordinate teachers of the several Normal, Latin, high, elementary schools and kindergartens, to serve during the pleasure of the School Committee, and for the term ending Aug. 31, 1909, said appointments and reappointments to date from Sept. 1, 1908, and contained in School Document No. 3, 1908, "Appointments for Re-election."

Approved.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Rice District—Clara C. Dunn, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

High School of Commerce—Newton D. Clarke, instructor, Sept. 9, 1908.

Agassiz District—Fanny M. Joy, assistant, Sept. 9, 1908.

Dillaway District—Evelyn L. Barrows, assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 9, 1908.

Franklin District—Emma F. Jenkins, assistant, Sept. 9, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Public Latin School—Henry R. Gardner, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Charlestown High School—Maud M. Cunningham, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

English High School—William W. Gallagher, instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Girls' High School—Helen F. Church, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Elizabeth Goldsmith, Katherine S. Nash, assistant instructors; Mary H. Brown, industrial instructor; R. Devered Parker, special assistant instructor in drawing; Ellen A. Whalen, special assistant instructor in physical training, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Mechanic Arts High School—Kenneth Beal, junior-master; Roy Davis, Edwin F. Field, David H. Fulton, Samuel W. Hoyt, instructors, from Sept. 9, 1908.

West Roxbury High School—Mildred K. Bentley, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

School Hygiene—Ernst Hermann, assistant director of physical training and athletics, from Sept. 9, 1908.

The rules were suspended, and the appointments approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

(By Promotion.)

Charlestown High School—Carleton E. Preston, junior-master, from Sept. 9, 1908.

East Boston High School—Alfred M. Butler, junior-master, from Sept. 9, 1908.

English High School—John E. J. Kelley, instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Roxbury High School—Alice C. Riordan, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, from Sept. 9, 1908.

South Boston High School—Christina M. McCarthy, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Lowell District—Mary E. G. Collagan, master's assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908.

The rules were suspended, and the appointments approved.

TRANSFER.

Lowell District—Marion R. Weymouth, assistant, to the same position in the Martin District, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUNDS.

Season of 1908.

First Assistants.

Joseph F. Gould, Frederick A. Guindon, May Harty, Mary A. A. Haverty, Catherine G. Kelley, William T. Miller, Cora L. Mulrey, Theresa C. Murray, Katherine G. O'Brien, Joseph A. F. O'Neil, Eleanor M. Osterberg, William A. Reed, Mary E. Smith.

Assistants in Playgrounds.

Mary E. Austin, Samuel N. Coher, Lulu A. Donovan, Grace A. Moran, M. Louise Walsh.

Assistants in Sand Gardens.

Marion Chesley, Katherine E. Hurley.

Substitute Assistant in Sand Gardens.

Anna L. Gillis.

Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Subsequently, on the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Agassiz District—Sarah A. Moody, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Charles Sumner District—Margaret F. Marden, assistant, June 10, 1908, one day.

Christopher Gibson District—Bessie C. Jones, assistant, June 1 and 2, 1908, two days; Mary I. McIsaac, assistant, June 4 and 5, 1908, two days.

Edward Everett District—Charlotte Rafter, assistant, June 3, 1908, one day; Alice E. Leavens, assistant, kindergarten, June 15 and 16, 1908, two days.

Eliot District—Celia V. Leen, assistant, June 3, 1908, one day; Katherine G. O'Donnell, assistant, June 2 and 3, 1908, one and one-half days.

Franklin District—Charlotte E. Romer, assistant, June 18 and 19, 1908, two days.

George Putnam District—M. Alice Costello, assistant, kindergarten, June 4, 1908, one day.

Hyde District—Delia E. Cunningham, first assistant in charge, June 9 to 12, 1908, four days; Helen E. Hermes, assistant, June 18 and 19, 1908, two days.

Jefferson District—Helen C. Laughlin, assistant, June 1, 1908, one-half day; Ellen C. McDermott, assistant, June 8, 1908, one-half day; Mary J. Stark, assistant, June 4, 1908, one day.

Mather District—Ella J. Costello, assistant, June 1, 1908, one day; Mary H. Knight, assistant, June 10, 1908, one-half day.

Minot District—Ida F. Wall, assistant, from May 29 until July 1, 1908.

Norcross District—Fannie W. Hussey, assistant, June 4 and 5, 1908, one and one-half days.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Frances G. Keyes, assistant, June 10, 1908, one day; K. Gertrude Marden, assistant, June 8, 9, and 10, 1908, three days.

Phillips District—Mary E. Smith, assistant, June 11, 1908, one day.

Prince District—Harriet M. Simpson, assistant, June 10, 1908, one day.

Thomas Gardner District—Annie E. Bancroft, assistant, June 10, 1908, one day.

William E. Russell District—Julia J. Ford, assistant, June 2, 1908, one day;

Sarah E. McMahan, assistant, June 2 and 4, 1908, one-half day on each date.

Winthrop District—Mary L. B. Reynolds, assistant, June 15 and 16, 1908, two days.

Subsequently, on the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study, travel or rest, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Girls' High School—Parnell S. Murray, first assistant, head of the department of mathematics, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for travel and rest; Sarah E. Potter, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for study and travel; Helen Torrey, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for study and travel.

Bigelow District—Martha A. Goodrich, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for study.

Gaston District—Emma M. Sibley, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for study and rest.

Subsequently, on the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence on half-pay was granted the following-named teacher, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, and her resignation accepted to take effect on the latter date:—

Roxbury High School—Helen A. Bragg, assistant.

Subsequently, on the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without pay was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

English High School—John M. Hussey, junior-master, from May 22 until Sept. 1, 1908.

Mechanic Arts High School—Katharine E. Leonard, special assistant instructor, from Sept. 1 to 9, 1908.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of seventy minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of eight to be licensed to black boots, and of four to be licensed to act as pedlers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of a minor to sell newspapers, for violation of the conditions upon which said license was granted.

Approved.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 291, paragraph 10. Strike out the reference to the Mechanic Arts High School, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Mechanic Arts High School, one junior-master and one first assistant.

Paragraph 13. Strike out the reference to the Mechanic Arts High School.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 334, paragraph 2. Insert after the word "duty" the words: "on leave granted by the Board," and at the end of said paragraph the following: "except the salaries of those members of the supervising staff whose vacations are limited by the regulations to four weeks in each calendar year, which shall be subject to a deduction for each day's absence of one five-hundredth part of the annual salary of the absentee," so that the paragraph will read as follows:—

2. The salaries of teachers otherwise absent from duty on leave granted by the Board, shall be subject to a deduction for each day's absence, equal to one four-hundredth part of the annual salary of the absentee, except the salaries of those members of the supervising staff whose vacations are limited by the regulations to four weeks in each calendar year, which shall be subject to a deduction for each day's absence of one five-hundredth part of the annual salary of the absentee.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of June 15, 1908, recommending that Sections 356 and 358, paragraphs 3, of the regulations, be amended so as to provide that graduates of elementary schools of other cities or towns making a reciprocal arrangement

approved by the Board of Superintendents will be admitted to the Latin and high schools without examination.

Placed on file.

Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 356, paragraph 3. Strike out the paragraph, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

3. Graduates of the public elementary schools of Boston, and of other cities or towns making a reciprocal arrangement approved by the Board of Superintendents, and pupils of such schools who have been promoted to the seventh or a higher grade, and who present to the principal evidence of satisfactory scholarship, will be admitted to the Latin schools without examination, and may be placed in such classes as their qualifications may determine.

Section 358, paragraph 3. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

3. Graduates of the public elementary schools of Boston, and of other cities or towns making a reciprocal arrangement approved by the Board of Superintendents, will be admitted to the high schools without examination.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

COMMITTEES ON PLANS FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 15, 1908, reporting the appointment of two permanent committees for the consideration of plans for school buildings, one for elementary school buildings, consisting of three elementary school principals, viz., William C. Crawford, Elias H. Marston, and Francis A. Morse, and the other a committee for high school buildings, consisting of three high school principals, viz., Charles W. Parmenter, Charles J. Lincoln, and John F. Elliot. To each of these committees will be added the principal of the district in which a new building is to be erected, and the assistant superintendent in charge of that district. The purpose of the committees is to give careful consideration to all plans for buildings when submitted by the Schoolhouse Commission, and to advise with the Superintendent with reference to their adaptability to the educational purposes for which they are intended.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the action of the Superintendent in appointing the aforesaid committees was approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Board proceeded to consider its list of unfinished business and acted thereon as follows:—

Order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of June 8, amending Sect. 282, paragraph 4, of the regulations, relative to the appointment of teachers. Passed.

Orders offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of June 8, establishing the boundary lines of the Dillaway and Lewis Districts. (See p. 99.)

Passed collectively.

That part of the order offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of June 8, amending Section 291, paragraph 14, of the regulations, relative to teachers in the Mechanic Arts High School.

On motion of the Superintendent, paragraph 14 was further amended to read as follows:—

14. In the Mechanic Arts High School there may also be appointed three instructors, special instructors or special assistant

instructors in the mechanical department, and one special assistant in the mechanical department for each shop or drawing room in constant use.

That part of the order as amended passed.

RECESSES.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board at 6:08 o'clock p.m. took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p.m.

At the expiration of the recess, the Board reassembled, and again took a recess until 9:04 o'clock p.m. The Board reassembled.

USE OF SCHOOL BUILDING FOR CLASSES IN GERMAN.

The Board took up for consideration the communication from Dr. Rudolph Mertin, laid over at the last meeting, requesting on behalf of the United German Clubs, permission to occupy a school building, centrally located, on Saturdays for the purpose of giving instruction in German to any child who may desire to receive the same, the entire expense to be assumed by the societies interested. The following members of the committee representing the United German Clubs appeared, pursuant to the invitation extended by the Board:—Dr. Rudolph Mertin, Messrs. C. A. Koehler, J. F. Horn, Charles Eberhardt, G. Bartsch, and Mr. Robert Sturn who addressed the Board on the subject. Subsequently, it was

ORDERED, That the committee of the United German Clubs be allowed the use of three class rooms in the Wyman School-house during the regular term of the day schools, beginning in September next on Saturdays from 9 o'clock a.m. to 12 o'clock m., for the purpose of giving instruction in German language and literature to children from seven to 14 years of age, subject to the usual conditions relating to the use of school buildings for other than regular school work, and with the understanding that the applicants shall compensate teachers to be employed by them to give such instruction, and shall assume the expense of such additional janitor service as may be required.

LUNCHEES IN NORMAL, LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 15, 1908, transmitting a report from the Lunch Committee of the Head-Masters' Association, on the lunches served by the Women's Educational and Industrial Union in the Normal, Latin and high schools, except the East Boston High School and the Girls' High School of Practical Arts, during the past year.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Superintendent with full power.

RANK OF EDWARD F. HOLDEN.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 15, 1908, stating that he had received a request from Edward F. Holden, master, head of the department of French in the Charlestown High School, that he be restored to the rank of master as of appointment before June 1, 1906, which rank he held prior to his appointment to his present position on Mar. 15, 1907, and recommending that the request be granted.

Placed on file.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1908, the rank of Edward F. Holden, master, head of the department of French in the Charlestown High School, shall be that of master as of appointment before

June 1, 1906, and that he be placed upon the maximum salary of his new rank.

EXPENDITURE FOR CAR TICKETS, PLAYGROUNDS, 1908.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the expenditure of a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) is hereby authorized for the purchase of car tickets to be used by an assistant director of physical training and athletics, an instructor in athletics, and assistant instructors in athletics for the purpose of visiting park playgrounds in the suburbs twice daily to get the hours of service of laborers and others employed on these playgrounds.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO WILLIAM C. CRAWFORD.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That leave of absence without loss of pay be granted William C. Crawford, master of the Washington Allston School, from Nov. 1, 1908, to Jan. 1, 1909, that he may visit industrial schools in Europe.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO HERBERT S. WEAVER.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the leave of absence without loss of pay granted to Herbert S. Weaver, Head-master of the Girls' High School of Practical Arts, from Nov. 1, 1908, to Dec. 14, 1908, inclusive, that he may visit educational institutions in other cities, is hereby extended to Jan. 1, 1909.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

BRANCH OF MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL IN RICE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That a branch of the Mechanic Arts High School be established in the Rice School-house, for such portion of the school year 1908-09 as may be necessary.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to furnish the equipment necessary for conducting a branch of the Mechanic Arts High School in the Rice School-house.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Board of Superintendents is hereby authorized to make such temporary modifications in the course of study in the Mechanic Arts High School as may be rendered necessary for the proper conduct of a branch of that school in the Rice School-house.

ELECTRIC CURRENT, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of June 10, 1908, in response to the order passed at the meeting of June 1, requesting said Commission to advise this Board as to what plans have been made to provide an electric generating plant for the Mechanic Arts High School of sufficient capacity to furnish all the electric current needed for light and power for that school when completed, transmitting a copy of a communication from the engineers of the Mechanic Arts High School, Messrs. Hollis French and Allen Hubbard, stating that the question of installing such

a plant in said building was taken up some time ago, and giving in detail the reasons for its being considered inexpedient to install an independent plant.

Placed on file.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of June 11, 1908, stating that many electric lamps in school buildings show a marked falling off in efficiency, and in consequence much light is lost and current needlessly consumed, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to test all electric lamps in use in the school-houses and the Mason-street Building, and exchange those whose efficiency has fallen off 20 p.c. or more.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the Business Agent is hereby authorized to expend an amount not exceeding two hundred dollars (\$200) for the experimental use of Tungsten lamps in certain school-houses to be selected by him.

ANNUAL OUTING OF JANITORS' ASSOCIATION.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 15, 1908, transmitting an application of the Janitors' Association, requesting leave of absence for the school janitors on Thursday, July 2, 1908, in order that they may attend their annual outing.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That the janitors of the various school-houses be allowed leave of absence, without loss of pay, on Thursday, July 2, 1908, when the annual outing of the Janitors' Association is to take place; provided, that buildings in which repairs or alterations are being made shall be placed in charge of competent persons on that day without expense to the city.

JANITORSHIP, OLD HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 15, 1908, stating that he had interviewed the candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission as eligible for appointment to the vacancy in the position of janitor in the Old Horace Mann School-house, and recommending that Robert J. Walsh, who stands at the head of the list, be appointed to the position, to date from June 22, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the appointment was approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, COOK SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 15, 1908, stating that there are no janitors in the service who desire to be considered for transfer to the janitorship of the Cook School-house, and recommending that requisition be made upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of persons eligible to fill the existing vacancy.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 15, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Cook School-house—Thomas Brennan, appointed from June 8, 1908; amount due from June 8 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$10.40.

Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses—Peter Burns, amount due from June 1 to 7, 1908, inclusive, \$11.43.

Old Horace Mann School-house—Edward Powers, reappointed from June 11, 1908; amount due from June 1 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$21.50.

Placed on file, and the reappointment approved.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Thomas Brennan, Cook School-house, from June 8 to 15, 1908, inclusive, ten and 40-100 dollars (\$10.40).

To Peter Burns, Emerson Primary and Portable No. 55 School-houses, from June 1 to 7, 1908, inclusive, eleven and 43-100 dollars (\$11.43).

To Edward Powers, Old Horace Mann School-house, from June 1 to 15, 1908, inclusive, twenty-one and 50-100 dollars (\$21.50).

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the months of July and August, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by any of its members.

COMPENSATION OF JANITORS, EVENING SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the communication from the Business Agent, laid on the table at the meeting of June 1 (see p. 94), relative to the compensation of janitors in evening schools, was taken from the table and placed on file.

On motion of the same member, the following orders appended thereto were collectively passed:—

1. ORDERED, That the compensation for janitor service of buildings occupied by the evening high or elementary schools, excepting the English High and Christopher Columbus School-houses, for the term 1908-09, and until otherwise ordered, shall be paid in accordance with the following schedule:—

Schedule of Compensation for Janitor Service of

Evening High and Elementary Schools.

Janitors of evening high and elementary schools shall be paid one dollar and five cents (\$1.05) for each evening the school is used for evening school purposes, such sum to be compensation for the attendance of the janitor, the supervision, heating and ventilation of the building, and the necessary care and cleaning of the evening school principal's office, or room used for such purpose.

In addition to the foregoing sum, janitors of evening elementary schools shall be paid for *cleaning class rooms used for evening school purposes on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday evenings, the sum of twelve cents (\$0.12) for each class room used on each such evening, and janitors of evening high schools shall be paid the sum of thirteen cents (\$0.13) for each room used on each such evening.

For *cleaning halls, gymnasias and baths used on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday evenings, the janitor shall be paid at the rates fixed in the accompanying table.

—
Compensation for Cleaning Halls, Gymnasias, Baths and Locker Rooms
of

Evening High and Elementary Schools.

Charlestown High, hall—37c.; gymnasium and 1 locker and bath rooms, 68c.

East Boston High, hall—62c.; gymnasium and 1 locker and bath room, 67c.

Roxbury High, hall—\$1.29.

South Boston High, hall—63c.; gymnasium and 1 locker and bath room, 83c.

Bigelow, hall—33c.; gymnasium and 1 locker and bath room, 29c.

Bowdoin, hall—39c.

Comins, hall—30c.

Eliot, hall—30c.

Franklin, hall—31c.

Hancock, hall—31c.

Lincoln, hall—33c.

Lyman, hall—43c.

Phillips Brooks—hall—29c.

Quincy, hall—30c.

Warren, hall—42c.

Washington Allston, hall—25c.

Wells, hall—56c.

As no cleaning in addition to that prescribed by the rules for day schools is required because of the occupancy of school buildings for evening school purposes on Wednesday or Friday evenings, no compensation is provided for cleaning such buildings on such evenings.

The word "class room" in this schedule is intended to include the coat room used with each such "class room."

For buildings in which the heating and ventilating apparatus includes an engine,

requiring the attendance of an engineer when in operation, the janitor shall be paid at the rate of seventy cents (\$0.70) per evening in addition to the foregoing amounts.

*Wherever the word "cleaning" appears in this schedule, it is intended to include only sweeping and dusting.

2. ORDERED, That the janitor of the Christopher Columbus School-house shall be paid fifty cents (\$0.50) for each evening the school is used for evening school purposes, such sum to be compensation for the attendance of the janitor, the supervision of the building, and the necessary care and cleaning of the evening school principal's office or room used for such purpose, and in addition to the foregoing sum he shall be paid for cleaning at the rates provided in the foregoing schedule for evening elementary schools.

3. ORDERED, That the janitor of the Hancock Evening School, in addition to the schedule rates for cleaning the Hancock Annex, shall be paid thirty cents (\$0.30) for each evening such building is used for evening school purposes.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 11:45 o'clock p.m.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 24, 1908.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 5:29 o'clock P.M.
Present:—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

ACTING CHAIRMAN.

Pending the arrival of the Chairman, the Board was called to order by Mr. George E. Brock.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

MARCELLA-STREET PLAYGROUND.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston.

In Board of Aldermen, June 15, 1908.

ORDERED. That the School Committee be requested by this Board to instruct those in charge of the Marcella-street playground to conduct it in the same satisfactory manner as the Park Department when the playground was under their control.

Passed.

A true copy. Attest:—

W. J. Doyle, Asst. City Clerk.

Referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report.

ELECTRIC CURRENT, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of June 15, 1908, appending a copy of a letter from Messrs. Hollis French and Allen Hubbard, engineers of the Mechanic Arts High School, relative to the installation of an electric generating plant in that school.

Placed on file.

GIFT OF CLOCK TO BOWDITCH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of June 18, 1908, stating that the gift of a program clock to the Bowditch School by the alumnae, involves an expenditure by said Commission for secondary clocks in all the rooms and for wiring the building, and suggesting that the School Board refer gifts involving any considerable expenditure for installation to the Schoolhouse Commission before taking action thereon.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED. That the attention of the Schoolhouse Commission be called to the action of this Board on May 20, 1907, whereby the gift of the Bowditch Alumnae Association of a program clock for that school was accepted and said Board requested to arrange for the necessary wiring in connection with its installation, and that the Board be requested to comply therewith as soon as possible.

DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of the following-named teacher, which occurred on the date stated:—

Norcross District—Hannah L. McGlinchey, assistant, June 23, 1908.
Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

East Boston High School—Alfred M. Butler, instructor, Sept. 9, 1908.

Mechanic Arts High School—Ernest G. Hapgood, junior-master; Katharine E. Leonard, special assistant instructor; Sept. 9, 1908.

South Boston High School—Christina M. McCarthy, special assistant, Sept. 9, 1908.

Agassiz District—Arthur Stanley, sub-master, Sept. 1, 1908.

Bennett District—Carleton E. Preston, sub-master, Sept. 9, 1908.

Martin District—Mary E. G. Collagan, assistant, Sept. 9, 1908.
Accepted.

The following appointments and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Dorchester High School—Lena A. Glover, assistant instructor; Lucy G. Annable, special assistant instructor in commercial branches; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Subsequently, on motion of Dr. Scannell, the rules were suspended and the appointments approved.

TRANSFERS.

Charlestown High School—Edward F. Holden, master, to the same position in the High School of Commerce, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Agassiz District—Margaret M. Burton, Josephine Crockett, Mabelle E. Lounsbury, Annie V. Lynch, Mary A. O'Neil, Mabel E. Smith, and Helen K. Somers, assistants, to the same position in the Francis Parkman District; May C. O'Brien, assistant, on probation, to the same position, on probation, in the Francis Parkman District; Juliette Billings, first assistant, kindergarten, and Olivia B. Hazelton, assistant, kindergarten, to the same positions in the Francis Parkman District; from Sept. 1, 1908.

Jefferson District—Charlotte Z. Church, assistant, to the same position in the Bunker Hill District, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Lewis District—Katherine E. Lahey, assistant, to the same position in the Phillips Brooks District, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Delia Condron, assistant, to the same position in the Lewis District, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Sherwin District—Nellie S. Morris, assistant, kindergarten, to the same position in the Blackinton District, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Bowditch District—Gertrude A. Poor, assistant, June 15, 1908, one day.

Brimmer District—Grace W. Mitchell, assistant, June 22, 1908, one-half day.

Hancock District—Mary J. Murray, assistant, June 18, 1908, one day.

Horace Mann School—Mary H. Thompson, assistant, June 5 to 12, 1908, six days.

Hugh O'Brien District—Mary A. Watson, assistant, June 10, 1908, one day.

Lowell District—Emma L. MacDonald, assistant, June 15, 1908, one-half day; Amy W. Watkins, assistant, June 3 and 4, 1908, two days.

Mary Hemenway District—Jessie L. Nolte, assistant, June 10, 1908, one day.

Norcross District—Kate E. Fitzgerald, assistant, June 8 to 19, 1908, inclusive, nine days.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Clara C. Howland, assistant, June 12, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips District—Annie G. Scollard, assistant, June 15, 1908, one-half day.

Quincy District—Ellen L. Collins, assistant, June 1, 1908, one-half day.

Rice District—Katherine C. Brady, assistant, June 10, 1908, one-half day.

Roger Wolcott District—Alice G. Meade, assistant, June 19, 1908, one-half day.

Washington District—Josephine T. Colagan, assistant, June 19, 1908, one-half day.

Manual Training—Alice S. Bryant, assistant instructor, June 11, 1908, one-half day.

Assistant Nurses—Mary Callaghan, June 24, 1908, one day; Mary A. Didham, June 19, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study or travel, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Wells District—Gertrude M. Dimick, assistant, from Sept. 15, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for study and travel.

Manual Training—I. Virginia Lyons, instructor, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for study.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without pay was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Horace Mann School—Amy M. Pleadwell, assistant, June 18 and 19, 1908, two days.

Martin District—Margaret M. A. Kennedy, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of forty-nine minors to be licensed to sell newspapers and of three to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of a minor to sell newspapers for violation of the conditions upon which said license was granted.

Approved.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

Subsequently, the Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 291, paragraph 13. Strike out the reference to the Dorchester High School and substitute in place thereof the following:—

In the Dorchester High School, two special instructors in commercial branches, and one special instructor in drawing and manual training, instead of instructors; two special assistant instructors in commercial branches, and two special assistant instructors in drawing, instead of assistant instructors.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

JANITORSHIP, COOK SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of June 23, 1908, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of June 15, stating that the Civil

Service Commission has certified the following-named persons as eligible for appointment to the janitorship of the Cook School-house: Carl I. Priest, Edward J. Powers, and Charles E. Fales.

Placed on file.

TELEPHONE, OFFICE OF THE BUSINESS AGENT.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of June 24, 1908, requesting that a telephone be authorized for his office in place of the existing extension from the Auditor's telephone.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That an additional telephone be placed in the Mason-street building for the use of the Business Agent, the existing extension from the office of the Auditor to be discontinued.

TEMPORARY REAPPOINTMENTS, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 24, 1908, submitting a list of temporary reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Cook School-house—Thomas Brennan, reappointed from June 18, 1908; amount due from June 16 to 24, 1908, inclusive, \$11.70.

Old Horace Mann School-house—Edward Powers, reappointed from June 21, 1908; amount due from June 16 to 21, 1908, inclusive, \$8.60.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Thomas Brennan, Cook School-house, from June 16 to 24, 1908, inclusive, eleven and 70-100 dollars (\$11.70).

To Edward Powers, Old Horace Mann School-house, from June 16 to 21, 1908, inclusive, eight and 60-100 dollars (\$8.60).

JANITORSHIP, COOK SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 24, 1908, stating that he had considered the three candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission as eligible for appointment to the janitorship of the Cook School-house, and recommending the appointment of Edward J. Powers to the position, to date from June 25, 1908.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, laid on the table.

PAYMENT TO DIRECTOR OF EVENING AND VACATION SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the director of evening and vacation schools be paid three hundred dollars (\$300) in addition to his regular salary, for services in connection with playgrounds during the season of 1908.

Mr. Storrow arrived, and assumed the chair.

PENSIONS FOR TEACHERS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston.

In Board of Aldermen, June 15, 1908. ORDERED, That chapter five hundred and eighty-nine of the acts passed by the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the year nineteen hundred and eight, entitled "An Act to Provide for the Payment of Pensions to Teach-

ers in the Public Day Schools of the City of Boston"—be and hereby is accepted.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 18 came up concurred.

Approved by the Mayor June 22, 1908.

A true copy.

Attest:

W. J. Doyle,
Asst. City Clerk.

Placed on file.

Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That in order to provide for the payment of pensions to teachers in the public day schools of the City of Boston during the present financial year, the sum of \$63,891.51 is hereby appropriated in accordance with Section 4, Chapter 589 of the Acts of 1908, the same being five cents upon each one thousand dollars of the valuation on which the appropriations of the City Council of the city are based.

Passed by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storror—5.

Nays—0.

NOTICE TO BOARD OF ASSESSORS OF APPROPRIATIONS MADE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That the Board of Assessors are hereby notified that the School Committee have appropriated under authority granted them by Acts of the Legislature, the sum of \$4,025,891.51 for the support of the public schools, and for other purposes, for the present financial year. Of this amount \$3,974,052.15 should be included by said Board in the total amount to be raised by taxation, and the balance, \$51,839.36, to be obtained as follows:—

Estimated income for 1908-09.....	\$50,048.84
Unexpended balance, 1907-08.....	2,801.51
	<u>\$52,850.35</u>
Less the following:—	
Income estimated, 1907-08.....	\$51,584.37
Income collected, 1907-08.....	50,573.38
Overestimated	1,010.99
	<u>\$51,839.36</u>

PUBLICATION OF ROSTER OF SCHOOL CADETS.

A petition was received from Emmett Pishon and one hundred fourteen other officers of the School Cadets, requesting that the roster of the School Cadets be published in the annual report for the current year as in former years.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, placed on file.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

ELECTION OF TRUSTEE OF PENSION FUND.

Dr. Scannell moved the election of Mr. George E. Brock as a member of the Board

of Trustees of the fund established under chapter 589 of the acts of 1908, to provide for the payment of pensions to teachers in the public day schools in the city of Boston.

The members as their names were called by the Secretary respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

FOR DAVID A. ELLIS: Mr. Brock—1.
FOR GEORGE E. BROCK: Messrs. Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storror—4.

The Chairman declared Mr. Brock elected as a member of said Board of Trustees for the term of five years, beginning July 1, 1908.

RETIREMENT OF TEACHERS ON PENSION.

Mr. Magenis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the following-named teachers in the public schools of this city be retired on pension from the date stated in connection with each name, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 589 of the Acts of 1908:—

English High School—Melvin J. Hill, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Girls' High School—Adeline L. Sylvester, from Aug. 31, 1908.

West Roxbury High School—Josephine L. Sanborn, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Bennett District—Melissa Abbott, from Oct. 12, 1908.

Bowditch District—Mary E. Whitney, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Dillaway District—Eliza Brown, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Hancock District—Mary C. Peabody, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Harvard District—Darius Hadley, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Henry L. Pierce District—Frank F. Courtney, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Lowell District—Eliza C. Fisher, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Lowell District—Mary W. Howard, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Lowell District—Anna L. Hudson, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Minot District—Mary E. Glidden, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Esther M. Meserve, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Rice District—Ella T. Gould, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Thomas Gardner District—Clara B. Hooker, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Teacher of Sewing—Catherine J. Cado-gan, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Teacher of Sewing—Susan M. Cousens, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Teacher of Sewing—Elizabeth A. Power, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Teacher of Sewing—Julia A. Skilton, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 7:10 o'clock P.M., to meet on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 1908, deferring its first regular meeting for one day.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Aug. 6, 1908.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston, called by request of two of its members, was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 3:24 o'clock P.M.

Present:—Messrs. Brock, Ellis and Magenis.

ACTING CHAIRMAN.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Board was called to order by Mr. Brock, the senior member.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, Mr. Brock was elected Chairman pro tempore.

AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the records of the meeting of May 4 were amended on page 78, by striking out in the second column under the heading "Substitute Assistants in Sand Gardens" the name "Elizabeth J. Barry," and substituting in place thereof the name:—Elizabeth G. Barry.

On motion of the same member, the reading of the records of the meeting of June 24 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

OPENING OF SCHOOL YARDS FOR PLAYGROUNDS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, In Common Council,
July 16, 1908.

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to throw open for use of all children all the school yards in Boston.

In Common Council, July 16, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy. Attest:

Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.

City of Boston, Office of the Mayor,
July 20, 1908.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to inform the Common Council that all funds available for playgrounds are now being expended for that purpose.

CERTIFICATION OF PAY ROLLS, BILLS AND ACCOUNTS BY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

A communication was received from the Corporation Counsel, under date of June 29, 1908, in response to an order passed by the Board at the meeting of June 1, requesting him to advise the Board whether or not all its pay rolls, bills or accounts for salaries or compensation come under the provisions of Chapter 210 of the Acts of 1908, stating that there is considerable doubt in his mind as to whether the teachers' pay rolls come under the statute, but in the opinion of the Attorney General they do, and such being the fact, he would not advise the City Treasurer to invite a prosecution by the State by approving them without the certification of the Civil Service Commissioners.

In his opinion the pay rolls and bills purely for personal compensation will have to go to the Civil Service Commission. Bills which are not for personal compensation of the party who presents them, but are or may be for the compensation of people employed by him, do not require to be sent to the Civil Service Commission.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION ON SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT.

A communication was received from the Finance Commission, addressed to the Mayor and the School Committee, under date of Aug. 4, 1908, relative to the organization and work of the Schoolhouse Department.

Laid on the table, and the Secretary directed to send a copy to each member.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of June 25, 1908, in response to the order passed at the meeting of June 15, requesting said Board to test all electric lamps in use in the school-houses and the Mason-street Building, and exchange those whose efficiency has fallen off 20 p.c. or more, stating that if the School Board would direct the janitors to take the lamps out of their sockets and have them ready, they would have the Edison Electric Illuminating Company test and renew them free of cost.

Placed on file.

GIFT OF CLOCK TO BOWDITCH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of June 27, 1908, in response to the order passed at the meeting of June 24, with reference to the installation of the program clock given to the Bowditch School by the Bowditch Alumnae Association, stating that the cost of installing the clock would be practically \$400, and unless they can be informed where such an appropriation can be obtained, they will have to decline to install said clock.

Placed on file.

PORTABLE BLACKBOARDS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of July 9, 1908, calling attention to the large number of portable blackboards in use in various school-houses, and stating that the question has often arisen as to whether it is essential to have the same in school rooms, when the walls of three or possibly four sides of such rooms are provided with blackboard surface. The cost of these portable boards, which are continually demanded, requires a considerable expenditure. It has also been suggested by district fire chiefs that these portable boards in school rooms might prove a serious hindrance in the event of fire occurring, as they block passageways and would thus interfere with the work of the firemen.

Referred to the Board of Superintendents for consideration and report.

DECLINATIONS OF APPOINTMENT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Aug. 6, 1908, stating that the following-named persons have declined to accept the positions to which they were appointed on June 5 and 15 1908, respectively:—

High School of Commerce—De Lorma A. Morrow, instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

School Hygiene—Ernst Hermann, assistant director of physical training and athletics, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Placed on file.

DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of the following-named teacher, which occurred on the date stated:—

Charlestown High School—Jennie V. Richardson, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, July 25, 1908.
Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Hyde District—Helen E. Hermes, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Lewis District—Annie L. Turner, assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1908.

Norcross District—Bertha J. Rich, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Warren District—Rosalind W. Henderson, assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1908.
Accepted.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Charlestown High School—John W. Regan, assistant instructor, Sept. 9, 1908.

English High School—John E. J. Kelley, assistant instructor, Sept. 9, 1908.

Roxbury High School—Alice C. Riordan, special assistant, Sept. 9, 1908.

Hancock District—Julia E. Keith, assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 9, 1908.

Shurtleff District—Katherine S. Nash, assistant, Sept. 9, 1908.
Accepted.

The following appointment and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

School Hygiene—Nelson A. Kellogg, assistant director of physical training and athletics, Sept. 9, 1908.
Laid over.

TRANSFERS.

Agassiz District—Josephine A. Slayton, Lucinda R. Kinsley, assistants, to the same position in the Francis Parkman District, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Charles Sumner District—Elizabeth Kigen, Mary E. Roome, assistants, to the same position in the Francis Parkman District, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION RESCINDED.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED. That the action of the School Committee at its meeting held on June 15, 1908, in accepting the resignation of Clara C. Dunn, an assistant in the Rice District, is hereby rescinded.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES, COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS AND DIAGRAMS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of July 8, 1908, submitting diagrams showing the total expenditures and also the expenditures for salaries of instructors, supplies and incidentals, fuel and light for the first six months of the current financial year, and also for the preceding school year.
Placed on file.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Aug. 1, 1908, submitting diagrams showing the total expenditures, and also the expenditures for salaries of instructors, supplies and incidentals, and fuel and light for the first seven months of the current financial year, and also for the preceding school year.
Placed on file.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Aug. 1, 1908, submitting a statement showing (1) original appropriations for supplies and incidentals for the current financial year, (2) appropriations for supplies and incidentals as amended by the Board of Apportionment in compliance with the order of the School Board passed at the meeting of May 18, 1908, (3) expenditures to Aug. 1, 1908, and (4) balances on Aug. 1, 1908.
Placed on file.

TUITION OF BOSTON PUPILS IN BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

Communications were received from Francis G. Benedict, under dates of June 29 and July 2, 1908, requesting that the city assume the expense of tuition of his daughter in the Brookline primary schools during the coming school year.

Referred to the Superintendent to inform the applicant of the policy of the Board with regard to such applications.

ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. Magenis offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that in the opinion of the School Committee the number of additional pupils to be provided for in the Henry L. Pierce District (Dorchester High School) should be seven hundred instead of four hundred twenty, as specified in the order passed by this Board on Mar. 19, 1908, and that the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to concur in the following order:—

ORDERED. That of the \$450,000 designated by the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners under date of Mar. 20, 1908, as necessary in the opinion of that Board to provide additional accommodations in the Brimmer District as specified by the School Committee under date of Mar. 19, 1908, the sum of \$10,000 is hereby transferred to the item "6. Henry L. Pierce District, high school (Dorchester High), \$125,000."

Passed, by a vote of 3 to 0.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board adjourned at 4:37 o'clock P.M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Sept. 3, 1908.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston, called by order of the Chairman, was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 4 o'clock P.M.

Present:—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis and Storrow.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Aug. 31, 1908, with reference to furnishing additional accommodations for school children at the opening of the ensuing school year.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis it was

ORDERED, That the following communication be sent in reply thereto:—

Sept. 3, 1908.

Mr. R. Clipston Sturgis, Chairman, Schoolhouse Commissioners, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:—

The School Committee feels impelled to call to the attention of the Schoolhouse Commission the unprecedented failure of the Commission to have in readiness at the opening of the school year, on Sept. 9, the additional elementary school accommodations asked for in the official communication addressed by the Superintendent of Schools to the Schoolhouse Commission on June 29, 1908.

We estimate that on the opening school day there will be at least 500 elementary school children for whom additional accommodations have been specifically asked and for whom the Commission has failed to provide, and who must accordingly be turned away from the school door on the morning of Sept. 9th.

In addition to these 500 children, the situation in the Quincy District is very unsatisfactory. Approximately 1100 children must be turned away from the Quincy and Andrews Schools because the alterations in these two schools will not be completed at the beginning of the school year.

In the Winthrop District, we are also informed, the Tyler-street School having accommodations for approximately 300 pupils, where repairs and alterations have been undertaken, will not be ready at the opening of the school year to receive school children, and the school authorities will be under the necessity of denying these children, also, admittance to the school.

It appears to the School Committee that the present unsatisfactory condition of affairs is due chiefly to the fact that repairs and additional accommodations instead of being undertaken promptly at the close of the school year, have not been undertaken until half or more of the summer vacation has elapsed. For example: We are informed that the repairs to the Quincy School, instead of being begun on June 25, the day after the school closed, were, in fact, not begun until August 3d, when more than half of the summer vacation had elapsed. We understand that the same thing is true in regard to the Andrews School.

In the case of the Tyler-street School, we are also informed that the work was not actively pursued until half or more of the vacation had elapsed.

In the case of the Adams School, the need of three additional rooms was made known to the Commission by the letter of the Superintendent of June 29. We are informed by the letter of the Chairman of your Board, in response to our request for information, that the Schoolhouse Commission expects to open bids for the required work on Sept. 8th, so in this case the work, even if now undertaken with the utmost promptness, would not be begun before the entire vacation has elapsed.

It perhaps should be stated in explanation of the situation in the Adams School, that on Aug. 27th this Committee received a communication from the Schoolhouse Commission suggesting that in order to defray the expense of these needed accommodations, an unexpended item of \$4500 should be transferred to this purpose. This Committee has today held a special meeting for the purpose of acting promptly upon this request of Aug. 27, but the Committee would have been, of course, only too glad to have acted upon such a request if made last June, instead of a few days before the opening of the schools.

In the case of the West End, which includes the Bowdoin, Phillips, Washington and Wells Districts, this Committee, through the Superintendent, asked for additional accommodations for seven classes, or 350 pupils. We do not understand that accommodations have been provided for any of these pupils for the opening of the school year. It is also true that in June, 1907, the School Committee, by vote, in accordance with the statute, asked for a new school building in the Phillips District, and set aside the money required for that purpose, but during the year and two months which have since elapsed no building operations have been commenced nor have even the contracts been advertised.

It does not seem necessary to remind the Commission of the delays in further detail which have occurred in furnishing accommodations required for the opening of the school year in other districts. We wish, however, to call the attention of the Commission to the fact that the School Committee requested three additional portable buildings in the Sherwin District. We understand that the Commission has thus far refused to supply these additional accommodations on the ground that the school rooms formerly held 56 seats and that before the Commission will supply additional accommodations 56 boys must be placed in each room. The School Committee considers the number of pupils to be assigned to a room is entirely within its province. The Superintendent, in his letter of June 29, 1908, requested these additional accommodations and we must formally ask you to provide them.

The School Committee has, by its rules, sect. 292, par. 2, already adopted the policy of cutting the number of pupils to a teacher as fast as practicable down to 44, and where, as in the case of the Sherwin School, the classes are composed wholly of boys, which are more difficult to manage than classes composed half of boys and half of girls, it is not only an unwarranted hardship on the teacher to insist on 56 pupils to a teacher, but it is also an educational injustice to the children to give them a teacher who is taxed beyond the limit of her strength and efficiency.

For the School Committee,

by James J. Storrow,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to suspend the sessions of the schools in the Quincy District and of other schools where such alterations and repairs are being made as, in his judgment, will prevent the successful conduct of the schools.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, ADAMS DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Aug. 27, 1908, requesting that the School Committee concur in the action of said Board in setting aside the unexpended balance of \$4500 out of the \$15,000 designated on June 29, 1907, for additional accommodations in the Adams District (see p. 109), together with additional funds remaining unexpended from loans issued previous to 1907, in order to provide further additional accommodations in the Adams District.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That the School Committee concur in the action of the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners in setting aside the unexpended balance of \$4500 out of the \$15,000 designated on June 29, 1907, for additional accommodations in the Adams District, to provide further additional accommodations in said District.

DECLINATION OF APPOINTMENT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 3, 1908, stating that the following-named person has declined to accept the position to which he was appointed on Aug. 6, 1908:

School Hygiene—Nelson A. Kellogg, assistant director of physical training and athletics, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

English High School—William J. Henderson, assistant instructor, Sept. 1, 1908.

Girls' High School—Belle Ballou, special assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Brimmer District—Klara J. Olsson, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Genevra M. Penoyer, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Thomas N. Hart District—Mae I. Wigley, first assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1908.

Assistant Nurse—Isabel P. Van Wart, July 31, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

TEMPORARY NURSE.

Emerson and James Otis School Playgrounds—Mary G. Kenny, assistant nurse, from Aug. 3, 1908.

Placed on file.

SUBSTITUTE NURSE.

Assistant Nurse—Catherine C. Marks, from Aug. 3, 1908.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Public Latin School—Leon O. Glover, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Girls' Latin School—Cora B. Mudge, Eva Z. Prichard, assistant instructors, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Charlestown High School—Clio M. Chilcott, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

High School of Commerce—Winthrop Tirrell, instructor; Samuel B. Trumbull, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Mechanic Arts High School—Ambrose B. Warren, junior-master, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Roxbury High School—Margaret F. Keenan, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Bunker Hill District—Joseph F. Gould, sub-master, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Laid over.

PLAYGROUNDS.

Season of 1908.

First Assistant.

Mary A. Starkey, from July 8, 1908.

Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence to travel in Europe under the auspices of the Civic Federation, was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Girls' High School—Elizabeth J. Strongman, assistant, from Sept. 9 until Nov. 16, 1908.

Roxbury High School—Mary T. Loughlin, first assistant, from Sept. 9 until Nov. 16, 1908.

Dwight District—Cora E. Wood, assistant in charge of a special class, from Sept. 9 until Nov. 16, 1908.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted each of the following-named teachers on the conditions and for the terms specified:—

Horace Mann School—Sarah Fuller, principal, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 1, 1908, without loss of pay.

William E. Russell District—Mary G. Ellis, assistant, from Sept. 1 until Oct. 1, 1908, without pay.

School Hygiene—William C. Matthews, assistant instructor in athletics, from Aug. 4 until Aug. 10, 1908, five days, without pay.

RESCINDING OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the action of the School Committee on Feb. 20, 1908, whereby Blanche A. Bemis, special instructor of physical training in the South Boston High School was granted leave of absence for study and travel from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, is hereby rescinded.

ACTING PRINCIPAL, MASTER, AND MASTER'S ASSISTANT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 3, 1908, reporting that he had designated the following-named teachers to take, while other teachers are absent, positions superior in rank to those which they now hold, until the positions have been otherwise filled in accordance with the rules and regulations:—

Horace Mann School—Ella C. Jordan, assistant principal, to act as principal, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Lyman District—George A. Tyzzer, sub-master, to act as master, from Sept. 9, 1908.

William E. Russell District—Annie R. Mohan, assistant, to act as master's assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Placed on file.

LOCATION OF NEW SCHOOL BUILDING, PHILLIPS DISTRICT.

A petition was received from Hyman W. Kerstin and ten others, with reference to

the location of a new school-house on Joy street, in the Phillips District.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to inform the petitioners that the School Committee does not pass upon the location of school buildings, except to designate the district, and that the petition should be addressed to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Magenis the Board adjourned at 7:40 o'clock P. M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Sept. 8, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:42 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: Messrs. Brock, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the records were amended as follows:—

Meeting of Apr. 6, 1908, page 63, under Special Assistants, Elliot District, substitute the name:—Mary F. O'Neil, for the name "Mary J. O'Neill."

Meeting of May 4, 1908, page 77, under Temporary Teachers, Sherwin District, substitute the name:—Mary F. O'Neil, for the name "Mary J. O'Neill."

Meeting of May 4, 1908, page 79, leave of absence for rest:—Agassiz District—Mary E. MacDonald, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, to read as follows:—

Bowditch District—Mary E. McDonald, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909.

On motion of the same member, the reading of the records of the last two meetings was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

USE OF SCHOOL PREMISES FOR ELECTION PURPOSES.

A communication was received from the Board of Election Commissioners, under date of Aug. 10, 1908, requesting permission to use rooms in the Bunker Hill and Prince School-houses, on the evenings of Oct. 3 to 14, 1908, inclusive, Nov. 12 to 17, 1908, inclusive, and Nov. 20 to 25, 1908, inclusive, for election purposes, and stating that the rooms have been previously used for such purposes.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the aforesaid application was approved, subject to the understanding that such use will not interfere with school sessions, and that the Board of Election Commissioners will assume the expense of heat, light and janitor service.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING, PHILLIPS DISTRICT, TO FIRE PROTECTION.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Aug. 12, 1908, stating that said Board had voted to certify to the Mayor that in its opinion there will remain \$115,000 unexpended from the appropriation of \$358,000 set aside for Item 6 in the list of 1907, for the land, erection of the building and furniture for the elementary school in the Phillips District, and that said amount can be appropriated for fire protection in accordance with chapter 524 of the acts of 1908.

Placed on file.

NORTH MARGIN-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, un-

der date of Aug. 12, 1908, stating that said Board has placed itself on record as objecting to the occupancy of the North Margin-street School-house for school purposes, the same being unfit for occupation by the children.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, referred to the Superintendent for investigation and report.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Aug. 19, 1908, transmitting the following vote, passed by said Board on the same date:—

VOTED: That electric lamps that are charged for, such as Tungsten lamps and all lamps in the Charlestown and Brighton Districts, are considered by this Board as supplies and will not be furnished by the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, either in old buildings or in new buildings. Laid over.

RETIREMENT.

The following retirement of a teacher, because of marriage, to date from Sept. 1, 1908, was reported by the Superintendent:—

Phillips District—Nellie M. Sullivan, assistant.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Blackinton District—Rosa K. Perry, assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1908.

Dillaway District—Martha L. Reid, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Henry L. Pierce District—Edith A. Savage, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Washington District—Josephine F. Joyce, first assistant in charge, Sept. 1, 1908.

Winthrop District—Pauline E. Voelpel, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Agassiz District—Mary V. O'Regan, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Bunker Hill District—Elizabeth F. Doherty, Elizabeth L. Keefe, Augusta S. Tavender, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Dillaway District—F. Louise Dacey, Flora M. Hoyt, kindergarten, Eleanor A. Larivee, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Franklin District—Mary J. Rogers, Alice M. Russell, Alice M. Sweeney, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Helen M. West, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Martin District—Louise M. Fitzpatrick, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Sherwin District—Josephine M. Haney, Grace M. Welch, kindergarten, Mary F. Powers, kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Mechanic Arts High School—Harry E. Bryant, junior-master, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Deborah F. Barry, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Mather District—Anna M. Meyer, Mary A. Starkey, assistants, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Charlestown High School—Amy N. Martin, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Girls' High School—Marie A. Goddard assistant instructor, from Sept. 14, 1908.

Agassiz District—Julia A. Mahan, assistant, from Sept. 14, 1908.

Phillips District—Laura J. Westcott, assistant, third year, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Cookery—Gertrude A. Power, teacher, from Sept. 14, 1908.

Sewing—Adeline M. Norton, Mary A. Mulvey, teachers, from Sept. 14, 1908.

Laid over.

TRANSFERS.

George Putnam District—Mary B. Tenney, assistant, to the same position, in the Hugh O'Brien District, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Mary A. Watson, assistant, to the same position, in the Henry L. Pierce District, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

EMERGENCY LIST.

Gertrude A. A'Hearn, Mary E. Alkern, Deborah F. Barry, Kathryn E. G. Barry, Olive E. Barry, Frances M. Bell, Bertha I. Berger, Evelyn E. Bickford, Edna L. Black, Leila E. Boles, Alma Boodro, Florence A. Brady, Mary A. J. Brady, Mary E. Brennan, Beatrice U. Bridges, Angela M. L. Brown, Helen L. Brown, Annie G. Bullard, Mary C. Burns, Dorothy A. Busby, Dorothy M. Carney, Edward J. Carroll, Rebecca E. Carson, Georgiana Charleston, Marion Chesley, Emily L. Clark, Isabel E. Clark, Ellen F. Coffin, Herbert C. Collar, Margaret M. F. Conley, M. Claire Cooper, Rose G. Cooper, Theresa M. Cotter, Eva M. Cotton, Sibylla R. Crawford, Margaret F. Cummings, Alice E. Cunningham, Madalene I. Curry, Jessie C. Davidson, Ava B. Dawson, Emily M. Desmond, Frances G. Dixon, Helena M. Doherty, Ella M. Dolben, Eileen V. Driscoll, Rose M. Driscoll, Nellie E. Dunne, Frances A. English, Effie L. Evans, Maurice Ferber, Ella G. Finn, Anna E. Fiske, Annie H. Fitzgerald, Mary M. Fitzgerald, Julia M. Fitzpatrick, Alice M. Flanagan, Frances M. Flanagan, Helena M. Flynn, Mary E. Flynn, Mary I. Foley, Mary A. Fouhy, Rose J. Geggis, Gertrude M. Glynn, Lila M. Godfrey, May M. Gordon, Helen H. Goulter, Helena R. Guiney, Agnes G. Gunning, Regina M. Hart, Jane Hay, Fanny B. Hayden, Alice H. Healy, Florence Herbsman, Elizabeth A. Hickey, Catherine A. Hogan, Carrie E. Hoyt, Teresa C. Hoye, William A. Hoyt, Katherine E. Hurley, Teresa A. Hurley, Mary J. Hynes, Helen L. Irons, Mary A. G. Jones, Janet H. Jordan, Mary E. Keenan, Alice L. Kelly, Gladys L. Kelly, Josephine L. Kelly, Margaret M. Kelly, Margaret R. Kenneally, Margaret M. Kenney, Esther L. Kimball, Blanche F. Kingsley, Marguerite F. Lally, Frances C. Lamb, Helen L. Leahy, Gertrude A. LeBlanc, Catharine L. Levins, Abigail Linnehan, Charlotte H. Lovell, Mary E. Lowder, Mary E. Lynch, Mary M. Macdonald, Grace E. Maloney, Catherine M. McHugh, Christina W. MacLachlan, Bessie M. Manary, Alice L. McCormick, Hannah E. McDonough, Martha F. McElroy, Helena McGinnis, Marguerite M. McKenna, Margaret E. McMahon, Ellen J. McMorrow, Alice E. McMurrough, Alice T. McNamara, Anna L. McMurry, Anna M. Meyer, Agnes C. Morris, Eleanor F. Morris, Jennette A. Moulton, Anna M. Muldoon, Mary E. Mullen, Mary A. Mulvey, Ella F. Murray, Theresa C. Murray, Adelaide G. Nelson, Eva M. Neth, Alma M. Nilson, Adeline M. Norton, Mary E. Nugent, Margaret M. O'Brien, Evelyn M. O'Bryan, Anna S. Olson, Mary F. O'Neil, Mary J. O'Neil, John B. Opdycke, Mary V. O'Regan, Helen T. O'Reilly, Adeline J.

Oswald, Ella M. Parker, Gertrude A. Power, Elizabeth L. Prendergast, Helen E. Prime, Grace M. Quirk, M. Gertrude Rebolz, Lillie M. Redfern, Margaret C. Regan, Alice M. Riley, Margaret M. Riley, Helen D. Ripley, Regina E. Rolfe, Bessie G. Russell, Edith F. Russell, Margaret D. Sawyer, Mary E. Shea, Mary T. Sherry, Rebecca F. Silbert, Eva H. Simmons, Alberto W. Small, Jessie B. Smith, Lillian A. Smith, Alice B. Stebbins, Helen C. Steele, Gertrude P. Stephan, Emma L. Steves, Anna M. Stockbridge, Catherine J. Sullivan, Claire F. Sullivan, Gertrude A. Sullivan, Grace A. Sullivan, Mary A. Sullivan, Carolyn B. Supple, Emma F. Temple, Gertrude P. Tobin, Annie R. Toye, Grace A. Tully, Elizabeth J. Turnbull, Mary L. Walsh, Gertrude E. Welch, Helen M. West, Ellen M. Wight, Thomas E. Winston, Mary A. Wogan.

Substitute Nurse—Mary G. Kenney. Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Harvard District—Louisa A. Whitman, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Lowell District—Cora F. Sanborn, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence to travel in Europe under the auspices of the Civic Federation, was granted the following-named teacher for the term specified:—

Cookery—Roberta M. Cummins, teacher, from Sept. 9 until Nov. 16, 1908.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence, without pay, was granted each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Bennett District—Annie R. Cox, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Feb. 1, 1909.

Dwight District—Mary V. Gormley, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Hugh O'Brien District—Mary B. Tenney, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909.

Winthrop District—Mary B. Thompson, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909.

EMPLOYMENT OF KATHERINE E. CUFFLIN, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the employment in the Girls' High School of Katherine E. Cufflin, an assistant in the Agassiz District, for such portion of the school year 1908-09 as the Superintendent may deem expedient, is hereby authorized; Miss Cufflin to be paid at the same rate as if she were teaching as an assistant in a grammar school.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That while Katherine E. Cufflin, because of her service in the Girls' High School, is absent from her regular position in the Agassiz District, her place in that district may be filled by a temporary teacher.

SCHOOL OF OUTDOOR LIFE FOR TUBERCULOUS CHILDREN.

The Superintendent presented a communication addressed to him by the Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Boston Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis, under date of Sept. 8, 1908, stating that said committee had voted to continue during the winter the School

of Outdoor Life for Tuberculous Children in the Jefferson School District, provided the School Committee will cooperate with regard to the education of such children, and furnish a teacher.

In connection with the foregoing, the Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to appoint a temporary teacher in the Jefferson District to give instruction to the children in the camp conducted by the Boston Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis.

The communication and order were laid over.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANT, MARTIN DISTRICT.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the employment in the Martin District of a temporary assistant in excess of the number provided for by the regulations, is hereby authorized.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

CLERICAL ASSISTANT, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the employment of a clerical assistant in the High School of Commerce in excess of the number provided for by the regulations, is hereby authorized.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

TUITION OF CHILDREN IN BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the Business Agent is hereby authorized to issue permits to children in the first three grades, residing in that portion of the Prince District lying west of Deerfield street, to attend school in the town of Brookline, the city of Boston to pay tuition for such attendance.

SCHOOL TELEPHONE SERVICE.

The Superintendent submitted a communication addressed to him by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, under date of Sept. 2, 1908, giving notice of the intention of said company to discontinue thirty days from date the non-guaranteed coin box telephone service now furnished to certain of the public schools, and stating other terms and conditions under which such service will thereafter be furnished.

Laid over, and the Secretary directed to request a representative of that Company to appear before the Board at its next meeting for further consideration of the matter.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF FINANCIAL YEAR.

Communications were received from the Business Agent, under dates of Sept. 1 and 8, 1908, submitting a statement of the appropriations, expenditures, and balances for the current year to Sept. 1, 1908, the expenditures for the whole of the last financial year, and for the corresponding eight months of last year, with the increases in the several items, and making an explanation of this statement.

Also a communication, under date of Sept. 1, 1908, submitting a diagram showing the total expenditures, and expenditures for salaries of instructors, supplies and incidentals and fuel and light, for the

first eight months of the current financial year, and also for the entire last two school years.

Also a communication, under date of Sept. 1, 1908, submitting a statement showing the original appropriations for supplies and incidentals for the current financial year, the appropriations for supplies and incidentals as amended by the Board of Apportionment in compliance with the order passed by the School Board, on May 18, 1908, and the expenditures and balances to Sept. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

FIRE IN ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 8, 1908, reporting that on Sept. 5, 1908, at about 7:30 P.M., fire was discovered by the janitor in his store-room in the English High School-house, the damage amounting to approximately \$300, that the cause of the fire is unknown, and that it will not interfere with the school work.

Placed on file.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT AND RE-APPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 5, 1908, submitting the following temporary appointment and reappointments of janitors for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services:—

Cook School-house—Thomas Brennan, reappointed from June 28, 1908; amount due from June 25 until July 3, 1908, inclusive, \$11.70. Edward Powers, appointed from July 4, 1908, reappointed from July 14 and 24, Aug. 3, 13 and 23, and Sept. 2, 1908; amount due from July 4 to Sept. 9, 1908, inclusive, \$85.80.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Thomas Brennan, Cook School-house, from June 25 to July 3, 1908, inclusive, eleven and 70-100 dollars (\$11.70).

To Edward Powers, Cook School-house, from July 4 to Sept. 9, 1908, inclusive, eighty-five and 80-100 dollars (\$85.80).

SALARY DUE JENNIE V. RICHARDSON.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the salary due Jennie V. Richardson, late special assistant instructor in commercial branches in the Charlestown High School, be paid to her sister, Anna M. Richardson.

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of September, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Ellis.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 10 o'clock P.M., to meet tomorrow, Wednesday, Sept. 9, 1908, at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Sept. 9, 1908.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:41 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present—Messrs. Brock, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
Schoolhouse Department,
Walker Building, 120 Boylston street,
September 9, 1908.

Mr. James J. Storrow, Chairman, School Committee, Boston.

My dear sir:—I am in receipt of your letter of September 3d in which you appear to imply that the Board has not attended to its duties in the usual way in providing additional new accommodation. I beg to state that the Board has followed the usual procedure and has done the work of providing new accommodation in the customary way, and that the situation is very much the same this year as is usual when school opens. The reports of Masters and Assistant Superintendents on the new accommodation required were summarized by the Superintendent in a list sent to me on the 29th of June. This list was, as usual, a tentative list proposed for the study of the Board, and for such action as the Board thought best. Wherever the Superintendent reported new accommodation needed, the letters of Principals and Assistant Superintendents were read and the situation carefully studied and then talked over with such of the school authorities as were available during the vacation, and the decision arrived at reported to the Superintendent. The Board had barely sufficient funds available to enable them to make the imperative repairs in the summer, and were prohibited by law and by special orders from the Mayor from exceeding their appropriation. It was necessary, therefore, to select the most urgent cases and to postpone the others.

In the Adams District, it was extremely difficult to find what would be the best way of meeting the required accommodation for three classes. The Superintendent's list stated three additional portables. There was no space for portables and we should have had to hire land to put them upon, nor had we any portables available that were empty, nor could we afford to buy portables from the repair fund, and the Corporation Counsel informed us that we could not buy portables from the loan account on "Land and Buildings for Schools." We therefore, as the best possible solution, suggested rooms in the Plummer. The drawings and specifications were made, the permission of your Committee was obtained for the transfer of funds, and this work is under contract to be finished November 2.

The only possible way to meet the difficulty in the West End seemed to be by the use of portables. We had no place, however, to erect portables until we could purchase land to put them upon. The various steps leading up to the purchase of land on Joy Street has been followed just as rapidly as is possible under circumstances that govern land takings. Four

portables were bought from the West and were shipped over a month ago, but have not yet arrived, nor have the papers passed that give us absolute possession of the land. The buildings will be erected the moment these two points are met.

The serious structural repairs that were necessary in the Quincy School and Tyler-street School could not be let until the Board had let the bulk of the necessary summer work, and was assured that the money necessary to do this work would remain. The work at the Quincy School has not interfered with the complete occupation of the building. The work at the Tyler-street School will delay the organization of school but a few days.

The statement that "it appears to the School Committee that the present unsatisfactory condition of affairs is due chiefly to the fact that repairs and additional accommodations instead of being undertaken promptly at the close of the school year, have not been undertaken until half or more of the summer vacation has elapsed", is entirely at variance with the facts, I regret that they appear in this light to the School Committee, but as a matter of fact, the repairs have been taken up promptly, thoroughly and carefully.

In conclusion, I would remind your Committee that every step taken this summer, has been taken with the full knowledge and understanding of the Superintendent of Schools and of the Assistant Superintendents most nearly interested.

I have no record of "the fact that the School Committee requested three additional portable buildings in the Sherwin District." The Superintendent transmitted the request of the Principal for two portables and a room in the basement, in his letter of June 29th, and accompanied that request by a letter from the Assistant Superintendent stating that three rooms "will probably be needed." The importance of the Sherwin School in reference to the reduction of numbers in the classes had not been called to the attention of this Board, which had no reason to believe that the Sherwin differed essentially from such schools as the Phillips. If the special circumstances of the Sherwin School had been explained, the request would have been treated as very urgent, and the Board would have attempted to find the means to provide this accommodation. The declination was based wholly on financial reasons and not at all on any differences of opinion between my Board and the School Committee as to the desirable number of pupils in a room. My letter of August 4th unfortunately carried with it a very natural inference that my Board disagreed with the School Committee and proposed to join issue with it. This is not at all in accordance with the facts. The Board believes thoroughly in the reduction of numbers, and every new building is now being planned for class-rooms accommodating 44.

If your letter, as Chairman of the School Committee, to me, as Chairman of the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, had been forwarded to this office before it was published, the false impression given to the public on this matter would have been avoided. I am,

Very respectfully yours,
R. Clipston Sturgis, Chairman.

The Board proceeded to consider the situation with respect to additional school accommodations required, and the number of pupils excluded because of the unreadiness of school buildings for occupancy. Various principals were in attendance and made statements with respect to the situation in their respective schools or districts. The Chairman of the Schoolhouse Commission was also present, and was heard on the subject.

Subsequently, the communication from the Schoolhouse Commission was placed on file, and the Chairman was authorized to

transmit the following communication to said Commission:

Sept. 9, 1908.

R. Clipston Sturgis, Esq., Chairman, Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, Boston, Mass.

My dear sir:—

Your letter of Sept. 9 has been received and presented to the School Committee at its meeting this evening.

The School Committee finds that owing to the unreadiness of school buildings, children were turned away from the schools today as follows:—

High School of Commerce.....	230
Adams District.....	50
Phillips District.....	50
Quincy District (Andrews School).....	100
Washington District.....	107
Winthrop District (Tyler-street School).....	300
Wells District (Wells School).....	41
Wells District (Winchell School).....	850

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A number of other children were turned away from the schools today which are not included in the above list, but these were cases where the growth of the school was considered somewhat uncertain, and where it seems to this Committee reasonable to have waited for the opening day of the term before providing the accommodations.

It is also true that in the high schools where a part of the needed accommodation is lacking, it operates to the very serious embarrassment of the entire school, owing to the operation of the departmental system which requires a constant progression of the classes from one room to another for different subjects, and that this embarrassment caused the dismissal today of the entire High School of Commerce, consisting of more than five hundred pupils, one half of whom are included in the above table. This case of the High School of Commerce seems to the Committee especially unfortunate, because it was known months ago that the school would need accommodations for 250 additional pupils this year, and a formal notification was sent to your Commission in due course last June; but we are informed this evening by the principal of this school that not one additional chair or desk has been provided during the entire summer, but in fact the furniture has been removed from two rooms.

We understand that this lack of chairs and desks for the High School of Com-

merce will probably be cured within a few days, but it is disheartening and somewhat demoralizing to the school for the pupils to all assemble in the spirit of work, and to be told that they must go home.

We understand from your statement this evening that the pupils will be permitted to occupy the Winchell School within a few days, and we hope that the work on the fire escapes which requires this dismissal in the case of this school, and which still remains to be performed in numerous other school buildings, will not involve the dismissal of the pupils in these other schools from time to time.

While this Committee, through the Superintendent, has instructed the master of the Quincy School to receive his pupils, yet the condition of that school is far from satisfactory. The furnaces are detached and incapable of operation, and workmen in the basement are digging trenches in the mud and water which underlies the building, and one-half of the almost pitifully small yard is still appropriated by the workmen, so that the master informs us that it will be necessary either to turn six hundred boys into a crowded street during recess, which he considers impracticable, or compel them to spend most of that period sitting at their desks.

Yours very truly,

James J. Storow,
Chairman, Boston School Committee.

SCHOOL EXHIBIT, NEW ENGLAND FOOD FAIR AND HOUSE FURNISH- ING EXPOSITION.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That permission is hereby granted the New England Food Fair and House Furnishing Exposition to borrow the school exhibit now in the Normal School from Oct. 5 to 31, 1908, inclusive, with the understanding that it will be replaced in good condition, and that the city shall be under no expense for the same.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the Board adjourned at 3:55 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Sept. 21, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:50 o'clock P.M.

Present: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis and Scannell.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Board was called to order by Mr. George E. Brock, the senior member.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, Mr. Brock was elected chairman pro tempore.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the meeting of Sept. 8 and 9 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

WITHDRAWAL OF AN APPOINTMENT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, withdrawing the appointment on probation of Amy N. Martin as assistant instructor in the Charlestown High School, to date from Sept. 9, 1908.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meetings of Sept. 3 and Sept. 8, with the exception of the appointment of Amy N. Martin in the Charlestown High School, which had been withdrawn.

The appointments, with the foregoing exception, were approved.

SCHOOL TELEPHONE SERVICE.

Pursuant to the action of the Board at its meeting of Sept. 8, George A. Gore, representing the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, appeared, and was heard with reference to the school telephone service.

The matter was again laid over.

USE OF SCHOOL BUILDING FOR CLASSES IN GERMAN.

Dr. Rudolph Martin, representing the United German School Alliance, to whom the Board granted permission on June 15 to occupy three class rooms in the Wyman School-house on Saturday forenoons for the purpose of giving instruction in German language and literature to children, appeared, and stated that three hundred children had presented themselves for such instruction on Saturday last, a greater number than could conveniently be accommodated in said building, and requested that the use of six rooms in the Lowell School-house be authorized instead of three rooms in the Wyman School-house.

Subsequently, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That the United German

School Alliance be allowed the use of six rooms in the Lowell School-house on the same terms and conditions established by the Board on June 15, and with the understanding that should the number of pupils materially decrease the classes shall be transferred to the Wyman School-house.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Sept. 10, 1908, in response to the communication addressed to it by the School Committee on Sept. 9, with reference to additional school accommodations, explaining the reasons for the failure or delay in providing the same in certain schools, stating that the Board fully expects to have every child in the city accommodated before the first of October, and referring to the progress of repair work, including the furnishing of fire escapes.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, ADAMS DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners under date of Sept. 12, 1908, stating that said Board has transferred the unexpended balance of \$1,500 out of the \$15,000 set aside June 29, 1907, for additional accommodations in the Adams District, to the item for further additional accommodations in the same district.

Placed on file.

COMPLETION OF EXTENSION, FRANCIS PARKMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Sept. 9, 1908, stating that the extension to the Francis Parkman School-house has been completed and furnished, and that the entire building was occupied for school purposes on Sept. 9, 1908.

Placed on file.

DISPOSAL OF OLD BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Sept. 9, 1908, stating that the Board had received an offer for the Old Brighton High School-house on Academy Hill road, and suggesting that action be taken with regard to the same.

Placed on file.

Mr. Magenis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That it is advisable to sell the old high school building on Academy Hill road, Brighton, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 259 of the acts of 1906.

Passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, COMINS DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Sept. 9, 1908, stating that temporary school accommodations have been hired at No. 1448 Columbus avenue in the Comins District at a rental of \$20 per month, janitor service and fuel to be furnished by the city.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the certification of candidates eligible for appointment as janitor of said premises at the rate of \$10 per month.

DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of the following-named teacher, which occurred on the date stated:—

Comins District—Florence G. McCarthy, assistant, kindergarten, June 20, 1908.
Placed on file.

RETIREMENT.

The following retirement of a teacher, because of marriage, to date from Sept. 1, 1908, was reported by the Superintendent:—

Dearborn District—Anna E. McDonough, assistant.
Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Blackinton District—Mary L. Place, assistant, from Oct. 3, 1908.

Franklin District—Henrietta H. McKenna, assistant, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Hancock District—Emma L. Mitchell, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908.

Phillips District—Rose E. Lyons, assistant, from Sept. 15, 1908.

Cookery—Genevieve Huff, teacher, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Assistant Nurse—Ruth H. Johnson, from Sept. 12, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Mechanic Arts High School—Joseph H. Allen, mechanical department, second year; Robert C. Buttrick, Raymond P. Gilman, Hugo F. Rehling, mechanical department; Joseph A. Tosi, John F. Warren, Jr., mechanical department, second year, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Adams District—Agnes G. Cotter, from Sept. 10, 1908; Ruth M. Haynes, from Sept. 14, 1908; Catherine M. McHugh, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Agassiz District—Mary A. Mullin, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days.

Bennett District—Rena I. Black, Mary J. Driscoll, Adelaide G. Nelson, from Sept. 9, 1908; Margaret A. Sullivan, from Sept. 28, 1908.

Bigelow District—Mary L. Moran, from Sept. 14, 1908; Catharine J. Sullivan, Mary F. Driscoll, Sept. 9, 10 and 11 1908, three days.

Blackinton District—Rose J. Geggis, Sept. 9, 1908, one day; Edna L. Black, kindergarten, Hortense J. Parker, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Bowditch District—Olivia C. Penell, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Agnes E. Reagan, from Sept. 9 to Oct. 15, 1908; Annie C. Shea, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Brimmer District—Catherine G. Kelleher, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Charles Sumner District—Alice M. Flanagan, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Christopher Gibson District—Mary E. Shea, from Sept. 21, 1908.

Dearborn District—Alma Boodro, from Sept. 10, 1908; Teresa C. Hove, Katherine R. Murphy, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Edward Everett District—Emma F. Ditchett, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Emerson District—Esther M. Buchan, Marion Chesley, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Everett District—Rebecca E. Carson, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days.

Franklin District—Anna A. Cassidy, from Sept. 15, 1908; Dorothy A. Busby, from Sept. 9, 1908; Emma L. Steves, from Sept. 15, 1908.

Frothingham District—Margaret M. O'Connor, Elizabeth J. Turnbull, from Sept. 9, 1908.

George Putnam District—Anna L. Gormley, from Sept. 11, 1908; Helen M. Richardson, Eileene R. Tewksbury, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Gilbert Stuart District—Sibylla R. Crawford, kindergarten, from Sept. 14, 1908.

Hancock District—Linda C. O'Dowd, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Harvard District—Mary E. Lowder, Mary H. Healey, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Horace Mann School—Aloyse M. Owen (special order), from Sept. 9, 1908.

Henry L. Pierce District—Hannah Greenberg, Marie L. Mahoney, Adeline J. Oswald, Pauline F. Rafter, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Jefferson District—Marion E. Killion, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days.

John A. Andrew District—Catherine J. Sullivan, from Sept. 21, 1908; Katherine G. O'Brien, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Lawrence District—Janet H. Jordan, Margaret M. Sullivan, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Lewis District—Dorothy M. Carney, from Sept. 9, 1908; Alice H. Fogarty, from Sept. 14, 1908.

Longfellow District—Frances M. Flanagan, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Lowell District—Marguerite M. McKenna, from Sept. 15, 1908; Frances R. Wilson, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days.

Lyman District—Gertrude A. Power, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, two and one-half days.

Martin District—Mabel Carlin, from Sept. 23, 1908; Helen H. Goulter, from Sept. 22, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—Emma A. Brust, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Anna E. Burke, from Sept. 9, 1908; Annie S. Hagarty, from Sept. 14, 1908.

Minot District—Isabel E. Clark, Annie E. Dennis, from Sept. 9, 1908; Mary E. Fynn, kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Norcross District—Alice B. Stebbins, Margaret M. Kenney, from Sept. 9, 1908; Claire F. Shanahan, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Mary L. Brennan, from Sept. 21, 1908.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Anna L. Gormley, Sept. 9 and 10, 1908, two days; Susie J. McCloskey, from Sept. 14, 1908; Josephine A. Merrick, from Sept. 9, 1908; Grace E. Brett, kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Phillips District—Effie L. Evans, Sept. 9, 1908, one day, and Sept. 16, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Mary L. Fogarty, from Sept. 9, 1908; Martha L. Ireland, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Henrietta L. Wallburg, Madeline M. Waxer, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Prescott District—Hazel N. Boice, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, two and one-half days.

Quincy District—Helena R. Guiney, Sept. 9, 1908, one day; Azniv Beshgeturian, Lavina M. Grimes, Mary A. Haverty, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Rice District—Alice J. F. Kane, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Robert G. Shaw District—Alice E. McMurrough, from Sept. 14, 1908.

Sherwin District—Ella F. Murray, Mary F. O'Neil, M. Gertrude Rebholz, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Shurtleff District—Agnes T. Nolan, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Thomas Gardner District—May E. Briggs, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Eva M. Neth, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Thomas N. Hart District—Katharine L. Colbert, Grace G. Colman, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Warren District—Esther L. McNellis, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Washington District—Helena R. Baldrey, Matilda J. Graumann, Mary H. Leaver, from Sept. 22, 1908; Mary T. Lynch, Katie Roud, Eileene A. Sweeney, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Washington Allston District—Alice T. McNamara, from Sept. 9, 1908.

William E. Russell District—Helen E. MacFarlane, James F. Tyrrell, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days.

Winthrop District—Margaret F. Cummings, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Grace E. Maloney, from Sept. 14, 1908; Angela M. L. Brown, kindergarten, from Sept. 21, 1908.
Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Girls' Latin School—Grace T. Pratt, assistant, from Sept. 21, 1908.
Dwight District—George B. Moran, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908.
John A. Andrew District—Katherine G. O'Brien, assistant (special order), from Sept. 21, 1908.
Lawrence District—Joseph A. F. O'Neill, assistant (special order), from Sept. 9, 1908.
Lyman District—Mary A. Powell, assistant, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; William A. Reed, sub-master, from Sept. 14, 1908.
Martin District—Mary A. G. Jones, assistant (special order), from Sept. 9 to 21, 1908, inclusive.
Prescott District—Elizabeth V. Doherty, assistant (special order), from Sept. 9, 1908.
William E. Russell District—Agnes R. Driscoll, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Winthrop District—Frances C. Lamb, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Cookery—Margaret M. Downing, teacher, from Sept. 14, 1908.
Sewing—Anastasia Gannon, teacher, from Sept. 15 to Oct. 5, 1908, inclusive.
Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Brighton High School—Mabel S. Blackman, special assistant, from Oct. 6, 1908.
English High School—Bertram C. Richardson, instructor, from Sept. 21, 1908; Thomas E. Winston, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9, 1908; Harry E. Bryant, assistant instructor, from Sept. 14, 1908.
Girls' High School—Jennie E. Wier, assistant instructor, from Sept. 28, 1908; C. Ross Appler, special instructor in commercial branches (special order), from Oct. 1, 1908.
South Boston High School—Priscilla Whiton, assistant instructor, from Sept. 21, 1908.
West Roxbury High School—Bertha E. Dennis, assistant instructor, from Sept. 16, 1908.
Bigelow District—Cora L. Mulrey, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1908.
Blackinton District—Gertrude A. Fuller, assistant kindergarten, from Oct. 12, 1908.
Cookery—Mary W. Cauley, teacher, from Oct. 6, 1908; Josephine W. Cowan, teacher, from Oct. 1, 1908.
Manual Training—Martha E. Hall, Blanche S. Hall, assistant instructors, from Sept. 21, 1908.
Sewing—Anastasia Gannon, teacher, from Oct. 6, 1908.
Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

West Roxbury High School—Frances B. Wilson, first assistant, head of the department of modern languages, from Oct. 6, 1908.
Harvard District—Catherine G. Foley, first assistant in charge, from Oct. 1, 1908.
Wells District—Elizabeth Campbell, master's assistant, from Oct. 6, 1908.
Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Public Latin School—Stacy B. Southworth, instructor; Ethel A. Owen, special assistant.
High School of Commerce—James E. Downey, master, head of the department of mathematics; David F. Edwards, master, head of the department of economics;

Owen D. Evans, master, head of the department of science; Oscar C. Gallagher, master, head of the department of English; Joel Hatheway, master, head of the department of modern languages; Raymond G. Laird, master, head of the department of business technique; Adolph C. Ely, junior master; Rollin H. Fisher, special instructor in commercial branches.

Brimmer District—Mary M. McLaughlin, assistant.

Christopher Gibson District—Rosemary Purcell, assistant.

Eliot District—James A. Crowley, assistant.

Franklin District—Martha L. Eaton, first assistant, kindergarten; Sara E. L'Orange, assistant, kindergarten.

Harvard District—Philo G. Noon, sub-master; Pauline M. Garey, assistant.

Henry L. Pierce District—Annie I. Hefernan, assistant.

Mary Hemenway District—Mary E. Marron, assistant.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Angela M. Pearce, assistant.

Prince District—Helen M. Cobb, assistant, kindergarten.

Assistant Nurses—Sarah M. Cahoon, Mary Callaghan, Elizabeth R. R. Card, Edith S. Cooke, Miriam H. Crowell, Mary A. Didham, Jennie R. Dix, Mary S. Doherty, Annie I. Hollings, Mabel A. Hunter, Mary Martin, Helen F. McCaffrey, Katherine O'Callaghan, Sadie G. Reynolds, Emily A. Snow, Alice M. Sweeney, Alma Taylor.
Approved.

TRANSFER.

Harvard District—Lucy C. Wiig, assistant, to the same position in the Bunker Hill District, from Oct. 1, 1908.
Placed on file.

EMERGENCY LIST.

Mary O. Barnes, Mary L. Brennan, Alice M. Bryant, Anna E. Burke, Mary G. Coyle, Harriet L. Dahl, Loretta W. Dinn, Mary Fitzgerald, Ida M. Gilcrease, Josephine A. Hurley, Martha L. Ireland, Edna K. Lane, Edna Long, Clara E. McIntosh, Nellie N. Nolan, Eileen E. Sweeney, Annie M. Trundy, Carolyn M. White.
Approved.

Substitute Nurses.

Margaret J. Callaghan, Gertrude F. Daniels, Mary L. Whitmore, Blanche Wildes.
Approved.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Adams District—(Plummer No. 1 Kindergarten), Ethel Foster, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Bennett District—(Hobart-street Kindergarten), Olive D. Parker, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Alma G. Crossman, from Sept. 17, 1908.
Blackinton District—(Blackinton Kindergarten), Esther Fenocchetti, from Sept. 9, 1908; (Paul Jones Kindergarten), Mary T. E. Kline, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 30, 1908, inclusive.
Bowdoin District—(Sharp No. 1 Kindergarten), Elizabeth Kuskins, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Brimmer District—(Warrenton-street Kindergarten), Ruth Taylor, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Comins District—(1448 Columbus-avenue Kindergarten), Janet Oldham; (Cottage-place Kindergarten), Josephine E. Haley; (Smith-street Kindergarten), Helen F. Dalton; from Sept. 9, 1908.
Dearborn District—(Aaron Davis Kindergarten), Bertha Hucksam, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Emerson District—(Noble Kindergarten), Mary L. Murphy, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Everett District—(West Concord-street Kindergarten), Mary F. Martin, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Frothingham District—(William H. Kent Kindergarten), Mary J. Hughes, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Gilbert Stuart District—(Adams-street Kindergarten), Mabelle Bartlett, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days.

John A. Andrew District—(John Boyle O'Reilly Kindergarten), Mary F. Dumphy, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Norcross District—(Cyrus Alger Kindergarten), Catherine F. Shinnick, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Prescott District—(Polk-street Kindergarten), Grace T. Garrity, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Sherwin District—(Ruggles-street Kindergarten), Annie Lehman, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Washington District—(Baldwin Kindergarten), Mary Castanza; (Washington Kindergarten), Julia F. Cody; from Sept. 9, 1908.

William E. Russell District—(Roger Clap Kindergarten), Mary O'Connor, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Wells District—(Mayhew Kindergarten), Margaret McCoy; (St. Andrew's Kindergarten), Minnie Herrick; (Winchell Kindergarten), Ellen F. McNeil; from Sept. 9, 1903. Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

East Boston High School—Lucia R. Peabody, assistant, from Sept. 9 until Dec. 24, 1908.

Girls' Latin School—M. Eloise Talbot, special instructor in physical training, Sept. 16, 1908, one day.

Bigelow District—Mary L. Howard, assistant, from Sept. 21 until Oct. 1, 1908.

Blackinton District—Ellen S. Bloomfield, assistant, from Sept. 21 until Dec. 24, 1908.

Bowditch District—Isabel P. Reagh, assistant, from Sept. 9 until Dec. 1, 1908.

Elliot District—Theresa Currie, assistant, Sept. 10, 1908, one-half day.

Everett District—Eliza M. Evert, master's assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908, until Jan. 9, 1909; Emily T. Kelleher, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908, until Jan. 9, 1909.

Francis Parkman District—Mabel E. Smith, assistant, from Sept. 21 until Dec. 21, 1908.

Franklin District—Kate R. Hale, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1909.

Hancock District—Mary G. Ruxton, assistant, Sept. 10, 1908, one-half day, and Sept. 16, 1908, one-half day; Harriet M. Fraser, assistant, Sept. 16, 1908, one-half day; Lucy M. A. Moore, assistant, Sept. 16, 1908, one-half day.

Harvard District—Elizabeth G. Desmond, assistant, Sept. 16, 1908, one day; Sarah R. Dodge, assistant, from Sept. 13 until Oct. 10, 1908.

Hyde District—Delia E. Cunningham, first assistant in charge, June 9 to 12, 1908, inclusive, four days.

John A. Andrew District—Maude E. McClure, assistant, from Sept. 21 until Oct. 21, 1908.

Mather District—Isabel W. Davis, assistant, from Sept. 10, 1907, until Jan. 1, 1909; Mary H. Knight, assistant, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days.

Minot District—Ida F. Wall, assistant, from Sept. 9 until Nov. 1, 1908.

Phillips District—Martha A. Knowles, assistant, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, three days; Harriet F. Smith, assistant, Sept. 9 and 10, 1908, two days.

Phillips Brooks District—Mary A. Daly, first assistant, kindergarten, June 3, 1908, one day.

Prince District—Laura K. Hayward, first assistant in charge, from Sept. 9, 1908, until Jan. 9, 1909.

Quincy District—Katherine L. Wilson, assistant, Sept. 9 and 10, 1908, two days.

Roger Wolcott District—Florence J. Preston, assistant, Sept. 14, 1908, one-half day.

Shurtleff District—Mary M. Clapp, master's assistant, Sept. 9 to 15, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Manual Training—Mary E. Pierce, instructor, from Sept. 9 until Dec. 9, 1908; Solvi Greve, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 5, 1908.

Assistant Nurses—Helena M. Daly, from Aug. 1 until Nov. 1, 1908; Mary A. Didham, June 19, 1908, one-half day, from July 28 until Sept. 9, 1908; Elizabeth R. R. Card, July 7, 1908, one day; Anna Regan, July 22, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without pay was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Cookery—Alice L. Manning, teacher, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Mar. 1, 1909.

Manual Training—Edna L. Allen, assistant instructor, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 3, 1908.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-one minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

RESIGNATION OF A TRUANT OFFICER.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, enclosing the resignation of Charles S. Woodfindale, truant officer, to date from Sept. 30, 1908.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

ADDITIONAL UNGRADED CLASS. BRIMMER DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, reporting that he had established, subject to the approval of the Board, an additional ungraded class in the Brimmer District, making three in all.

Approved.

MARCELLA-STREET PLAYGROUND.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, with reference to the order received from the Board of Aldermen at the meeting of June 24, 1908, relative to the management of the Marcella-street Playground, which was referred to him for consideration and report, submitting the following report from the Director of School Hygiene:

The Marcella-street Playground as conducted by the School Committee has been in accordance with the previous conduct of that ground by the Park Department; and so far as we have been able to learn has not given rise to any necessity for complaint. Early in the year, at about the time the School Committee took over this playground, some of the construction work was uncompleted and there was an unavoidable delay at that time. The Park Department soon completed this construction, and since early in June there has been no inconvenience nor neglect reported from this playground.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be sent to the Board of Aldermen.

RETIREMENT OF TEACHERS ON PENSION.

A communication was received from the

Superintendent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, submitting a statement relative to the age or length of service of teachers retired by the Board on June 24, 1908, under the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908, by which it appears that said teachers are respectively entitled to receive pensions at the following rates:—

Melissa Abbott.....	\$180
Eliza Brown.....	180
Catherine J. Cadogan.....	180
Frank F. Courtney.....	150
Susan M. Cousens.....	180
Eliza C. Fisher.....	180
Mary E. Glidden.....	180
Ella T. Gould.....	180
Darius Hadley.....	180
Melvin J. Hill.....	180
Clara E. Hooker.....	180
Mary W. Howard.....	126
Anna L. Hudson.....	180
Esther M. Meserve.....	180
Mary C. Peabody.....	180
Elizabeth A. Power.....	120
Josephine L. Sanborn.....	180
Julia A. Skilton.....	180
Adele L. Sylvester.....	180
Mary E. Whitney.....	180

Approved, and the communication placed on file.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, stating that he had received a request from each of the following-named teachers to be retired on pension, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:

Charlestown High School—Sarah Shaw, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Bigelow District—Mary L. Howard, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Bunker Hill District—Ada E. Bowler, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Emerson District—Louise S. Hotchkiss, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Emerson District—Elizabeth A. Turner, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Lewis District—Martha C. Gerry, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Mather District—Julia F. Baker, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Sherwin District—Caroline E. Josselyn, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Warren District—Ellen A. Pratt, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Placed on file.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the following-named teachers in the public schools of this city be retired on pension from the date stated in connection with each name, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:—

Charlestown High School—Sarah Shaw, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Bigelow District—Mary L. Howard, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Bunker Hill District—Ada E. Bowler, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Emerson District—Louise S. Hotchkiss, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Emerson District—Elizabeth A. Turner, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Lewis District—Martha C. Gerry, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Mather District—Julia F. Baker, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Sherwin District—Caroline E. Josselyn, from Aug. 31, 1908.

Warren District—Ellen A. Pratt, from Aug. 31, 1908.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, submitting a statement relative to the age or length of service of teachers retired by the Board in accordance with the foregoing order, under the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908, by which it appears

that said teachers are respectively entitled to receive pensions at the following rates:—

Julia F. Baker.....	\$180
Ada E. Bowler.....	180
Martha C. Gerry.....	180
Louise S. Hotchkiss.....	180
Mary L. Howard.....	180
Caroline E. Josselyn.....	114
Ellen A. Pratt.....	180
Sarah Shaw.....	180
Elizabeth A. Turner.....	180

Approved, and the communication placed on file.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT, HORACE MANN SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the employment of a special assistant in the Horace Mann School is hereby authorized for the school year 1908-09.

EMPLOYMENT OF JOSEPH F. CARTER, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the employment in the Dorchester High School of Joseph F. Carter, assistant instructor in manual training, for such portion of the school year 1908-09 as the Superintendent may deem expedient, is hereby authorized; Mr. Carter to be paid at the same rate as if he were teaching as an assistant instructor in manual training.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That while Joseph F. Carter, because of his service in the Dorchester High School, is absent from his regular position in the manual training schools, his place in those schools may be filled by a temporary teacher.

EMPLOYMENT OF ALICE E. DACY, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the employment in the Roxbury High School of Alice E. Dacy, an assistant in the John A. Andrew District, for such portion of the school year 1908-09 as the Superintendent may deem expedient, is hereby authorized; Miss Dacy to be paid at the same rate as if she were teaching as an assistant in a grammar school.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That while Alice E. Dacy, because of her service in the Roxbury High School, is absent from her regular position in the John A. Andrew School, her place in that school may be filled by a temporary teacher.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Sect. 291, par. 13, clause 4. Strike out the clause and insert in place thereof the following:—

In the Girls' High School, one special instructor in commercial branches instead of a junior-master, and two special assistant instructors in commercial branches and one special assistant instructor in chemistry and one special assistant instructor in drawing instead of assistant instructors.

Laid over.

EVENING SCHOOL TERM.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the term of the even-

ing schools for 1908-09 shall begin on October 19, and shall continue for not more than twenty-two school weeks.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

BRANCH OF WELLS EVENING SCHOOL IN MAYHEW SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That for the term 1908-09 a branch of the Wells Evening School be established in the Mayhew School-house.

CLASSES IN INDUSTRIAL SUBJECTS, EVENING SCHOOLS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Director of Evening and Vacation Schools is hereby authorized to establish classes in any of the evening elementary schools in the following subjects: Sewing, dress-making, millinery, embroidery, woodworking and cooking; provided that a sufficient number of pupils apply for instruction in any of these branches.

CERTIFICATION OF EVENING SCHOOL PAY ROLLS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the principals and masters of the evening schools be directed to certify in the pay rolls the number of sessions of actual service rendered by each teacher (including principal or master); and that principals and masters shall certify to the number of sessions of service rendered by each substitute teacher, in each case naming therewith the regular teacher for whom the substitute has acted.

EXPENDITURE FOR ADVERTISING, EVENING SCHOOLS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the principal of each evening high school be allowed to expend an amount not exceeding ten dollars (\$10), and the principal of each evening elementary school and each evening drawing school an amount not exceeding five dollars (\$5) for printing and distributing advertising matter for the term of 1908-09.

ELIGIBLE LIST OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, EVENING SCHOOLS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent appoint a list of teachers eligible for substitute work in the evening schools, from which list all assignments for substitute work shall be made as far as possible.

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANT, OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the appointment of an additional stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Superintendent for the purpose of rendering assistance to the Supervisor of Substitutes is hereby authorized.

ASSIGNMENT AND COMPENSATION OF VISITING PRUSSIAN TEACHER.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That Dr. Karl Reinhardt, who has been sent to this city in the exchange of teachers between Boston and Prussia under the auspices of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, is hereby assigned to the High School of Commerce.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That Dr. Karl Reinhardt, visiting Prussian teacher, assigned to the High School of Commerce, be paid at the rate of fifty dollars (\$50) per month, for a period not exceeding eight months.

COURSE OF STUDY, NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Sept. 18, 1908, recommending that the course of study for the Normal School be amended for the current year as follows:—

In the first year: Three hours per week for science throughout the year instead of geography three hours per week in the first term and science three hours per week during the second term.

In the second year: Geography five hours per week throughout the year instead of geography two hours per week and science three hours per week for the first term, and geography three hours per week and science two hours per week for the second term.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the course of study for the Normal School was amended accordingly.

AMENDMENT TO ELIGIBLE LIST

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, reporting that Annie C. Shea, the holder of a Normal, Kindergarten and Primary certificate of qualification, of 1906, now rated on the Normal, Kindergarten list, had applied for a rating on the Normal Elementary, Class B list, prior to the re-rating of holders of Normal School certificates in June last, and that said Board is of the opinion that she is entitled to such rating, and has accordingly amended School Document No. 5, 1908, Third List of Candidates Eligible for Appointment as Teachers, by inserting Miss Shea's name in the Normal Elementary, Prior to 1908 list, Class B, on page 16, after the name of Jessie C. Davidson, with a rating of 794,—the certificate to expire June 30, 1912.

Placed on file.

PAYMENT OF SUBSTITUTES.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, stating the present method of paying substitutes employed in the public schools, which involves a good deal of delay in the payment of amounts due for such service, and suggesting that a special pay roll for substitutes be made out as soon as possible after the last working school day of each month from a certification by the Supervisor of Substitutes, and made up by her from certifications made directly by the principals and checked from the record of assignments of substitutes made from her office. The result of this change would be a better system of checking the service rendered, and the payment of substitutes from two to three weeks earlier than at present.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the recommendation of the Business Agent as aforesaid was approved, and ordered to be carried into effect.

COMPENSATION OF PROMOTED TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, with reference to the salary of an assistant in the Model School where, in addition to the regular salary of her rank, she receives the additional amount of \$8 per month, and having been promoted to the position of master's assistant in an elementary school district claims that in

placing her upon the next higher salary of the new rank the eight dollars additional compensation allowed in the Model School should be taken into account.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the Business Agent was informed that in the promotion of teachers specially assigned, for whom the salary schedule provides additional compensation over and above the salary of their respective ranks, such extra payment shall not be considered in determining the salary to which they may be entitled in their new ranks.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, submitting drafts of orders requesting the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners to arrange for the installation of additional meters in buildings used for evening school purposes, and to change the arrangement of switches in the basement of the English High School.

Placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to arrange for the installation, without cost to the city, of an additional meter and switch in each building using electric current and used for evening school purposes, the two meters to be so connected that the entire current used in the building must pass through one or the other, each to be under lock and key, one to be controlled by the principal of the day school and the other by the principal of the evening school.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to change the existing arrangement of switches in the basement of the English High School in order that the necessity of running all the electric lamps when but a portion are needed may be eliminated.

APPOINTMENT OF EMPLOYEE AS JUSTICE OF PEACE.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, suggesting that it would be desirable to have an additional person in the Mason-street Building qualified to administer oaths, especially in connection with the acknowledgments now required by law on bills and pay rolls.

Placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That Claude H. Bates, messenger in the office of the Secretary, be authorized to qualify as a Justice of the Peace, and that the cost of the fee be allowed and paid at the expense of the city.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANTS, OFFICE OF BUSINESS AGENT.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, stating the necessity for the employment of two temporary assistants in his office for the balance of the current financial year.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was ORDERED, That the employment of two temporary assistants in the office of the Business Agent for the balance of the current financial year is hereby authorized.

SALARY DUE FLORENCE G. MCCARTHY.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the salary due Florence G. McCarthy, late assistant, kindergarten, in the Comins District, be paid to her mother, Catherine McCarthy.

RECERTIFICATION OF AREAS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, submitting the results of the remeasurements of the Christopher Columbus, Francis Parkman and Samuel W. Mason School-houses, the reasons for such remeasurements, and the dates when the consequent changes in the compensation of the janitors of these buildings should respectively take effect.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the Chairman was authorized to approve the recertifications submitted by the Schoolhouse Custodian, to take effect from the respective dates stated.

CONSUMPTION AND DELIVERY OF COAL IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, submitting a report relative to the bin capacity, annual consumption and method of delivering coal in the various school buildings.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, laid on the table.

RESIGNATION OF JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, transmitting the resignation of Henry T. Allechin, from the janitorship of the Francis Parkman Portable Schoolhouse No. 11, to date from Aug. 31, 1908.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

JANITORS, PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, recommending the appointment of the following-named janitors to portable buildings, to date from Sept. 1, 1908:—

Girls' High Portable School-houses Nos. 34 and 35—John Murphy.

Henry L. Pierce Portable School-house No. 2—Timothy Donahue.

Longfellow Portable School-house No. 45—Patrick A. O'Brien.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board approved the aforesaid appointments.

TEMPORARY REAPPOINTMENT OF, AND AMOUNT DUE, ACTING JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, submitting the following temporary reappointment of a janitor, for a period of ten days or less, and amount due for such services, as follows:—

Cook School-house—Edward Powers, reappointed from Sept. 12, 1908; amount due from Sept. 10 to 21, 1908, inclusive, \$15.60.

Placed on file, and the reappointment approved.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitor of a school-house, payment be made as follows:—

Edward Powers, Cook School-house, from Sept. 10 to 21, 1908, inclusive, fifteen and 60-100 dollars (\$15.60).

JANITORSHIP, EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Hon. Richard Olney, President of The Franklin Foundation, under date of Sept. 19, 1903, requesting that the School Committee consent to the transfer to that department of George H. Bird, now janitor of the East Boston High School-house.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the proposed transfer was approved.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, submitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the East Boston High School-house.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the transfer of James A. Howe, the applicant standing first on the list, who holds the necessary license, was approved, to date from Sept. 24, 1908.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 21, 1908, stating that the Washington-street School-house was discontinued for school purposes on Sept. 10, 1908, that Patrick M. Connolly, the janitor, does not desire to be considered for any existing vacancies, and recommending that he be granted leave of absence for a period not to exceed six months without pay.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, leave of absence was granted Patrick M. Connolly accordingly.

SCHOOL EXHIBIT, NEW ENGLAND FOOD FAIR AND HOUSE FURNISHING EXPOSITION.

A communication was received from Albert R. Rogers New England Food Fair and House Furnishing Exposition, under date of Sept. 17, 1908, requesting that a working exhibit of the cooking department of the Boston public schools be authorized

for said exposition, or if for any reason a working exhibit should not be deemed expedient an exhibit of the various articles cooked by pupils in such classes be installed, for which suitable cases would be provided.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, placed on file.

SCHOOL OF OUTDOOR LIFE FOR TUBERCULOUS CHILDREN.

The Board took up for consideration the communication from the Boston Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis, relative to the education of tuberculous children in the Jefferson School District, laid over at the meeting of Sept. 8, 1908, and placed the same on file.

Dr. Scannell, on behalf of himself and Mr. Brock, presented a report of their investigation of the matter, and recommended the passage of the following order, submitted by the Superintendent and laid over at the same meeting:

ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to appoint a temporary teacher in the Jefferson District to give instruction to the children in the camp conducted by the Boston Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis.

The report was accepted, and the order passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the doors were opened.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 11 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Sept. 24, 1908.

Pursuant to an agreement at the last meeting, a special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 4:15 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present:—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Scannell and Storow.

FREE EVENING INDUSTRIAL DRAWING SCHOOLS.

In accordance with the object of the meeting, the Board proceeded with a conference with the members of the Commis-

sion on Industrial Education, with regard to the cooperation of the Commonwealth in the establishment and maintenance of evening instruction in industrial training in this city.

At the conclusion of the conference, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be requested, in cooperation with the Commission on Industrial Education, to formulate and submit to this Board at as early a date as possible, a plan for the establishment and maintenance of an evening school of industrial training and design with such branches as may be deemed expedient, to be conducted by this Board with the aid of the Commonwealth under the provisions of chapter 505 of the acts of 1906.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 5:30 o'clock P.M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Sept. 29, 1908.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the city of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 4:53 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.
Present:—Messrs. Ellis, Magenis, Scan-nell and Storrow.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the meeting of Sept. 21 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

EVENING INDUSTRIAL DRAWING SCHOOLS.

The following communication was received:—

Sept. 29, 1908.

To the School Committee:—

In accordance with the order passed at the meeting of the School Committee held on Sept. 24, 1908, I hereby report the following plan for the organization of a school for industrial training, to be conducted by the School Committee acting as agent of the Commission on Industrial Education of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. I recommend:—

(1) That a central school for industrial training, named the Evening Industrial School, be established in the Mechanic Arts High School building, and that during the present school year branches of said school be established in Charlestown, East Boston and Roxbury, and in the Warren-avenue School.

(2) That a principal, who shall have charge of the central school and all its branches, be appointed.

(3) That the central school have an assistant principal and that each branch have a first assistant in charge.

(4) That the course of study include free-hand drawing, mechanical drawing, ship draughting, machine drawing and architectural drawing, and such courses in industrial mathematics related to these subjects as may be deemed expedient.

(5) That the salary schedule for the Evening Industrial School be as follows:—

Principal—\$8 per evening.

Assistant principal—\$6 per evening.

First assistants in charge—\$6 per evening.

Assistants, first year \$3 per evening, second year \$4 per evening, third year \$5 per evening; and that assistants having had more than three years' service in the present drawing schools, if re-elected, be placed upon the third year of this schedule.

In order that this plan may be carried into effect, I submit the accompanying orders.

Yours very respectfully,

Stratton D. Brooks,
Superintendent of Schools.

ORDERED. That the Commission on Industrial Education of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts be, and hereby is, requested to establish in the city of Boston a central evening school for industrial training, to be known as the Evening Industrial School, with such branch schools as may be deemed expedient; the same to be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 505 of the Acts of

1906, by the Commission on Industrial Education through the School Committee acting as its agent.

ORDERED. That the salaries of teachers in the Evening Industrial School be fixed for the year ending Aug. 31, 1909, as contained in the following schedule:—

Principal, per evening.....	\$8.00
Assistant principal, per evening.....	6.00
First assistants in charge, per evening.....	\$6.00
Assistants, first year, per evening \$3, second year, per evening \$4, third year, per evening \$5.	

ORDERED. That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to conduct an Evening Industrial School in accordance with the rules and regulations of the School Committee, so far as they are applicable thereto.

The communication was placed on file, and the three orders appended thereto were passed.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the appointments of evening drawing school principals, reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of June 1, 1908 (see p. 89), and that part of the order establishing evening drawing schools laid over at the same meeting (see p. 92), were placed on file.

CLERICAL ASSISTANTS, HIGH AND LATIN SCHOOLS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED. That the transfer of Elizabeth M. Brennan, a stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Superintendent, to the position of clerical assistant in the High School of Commerce, having been approved by the Civil Service Commission, is hereby approved by this Board, said transfer to date from Sept. 18, 1908; she to be placed upon the first year of service in her new rank until Nov. 5, 1908, and advanced thereafter until the maximum salary of that rank is reached.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED. That the transfer of Winifred K. Feeney, a stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Superintendent, to the position of clerical assistant in the Roxbury High School, having been approved by the Civil Service Commission, is hereby approved by this Board, said transfer to date from Oct. 6, 1908; she to be placed upon the second year of service in her new rank until May 1, 1909, and thereafter be advanced until the maximum salary of that rank is reached.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 23, 1908, stating that, subject to the approval of the Board, he had appointed Julia D. Buck as a clerical assistant in the Girls' High School, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED. That the transfer of Ethel A. Owen, special assistant in the Public Latin School, to the position of clerical assistant in the same school, having been approved by the Civil Service Commission, is hereby approved by this Board, said transfer to date from Oct. 1, 1908; she to be placed upon the second year of service in her new rank until Sept. 11, 1909, and thereafter to be advanced until the maximum salary of that rank is reached.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED. That the transfer of Clara A. Hawthorne, special assistant in the Girls' Latin School, to the position of clerical assistant in the same school, hav-

ing been approved by the Civil Service Commission, is hereby approved by this Board, said transfer to date from Oct. 1, 1908; she to be placed upon the second year of service in her new rank until Nov. 12, 1908, and thereafter to be advanced until the maximum salary of that rank is reached.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the transfer of Clara J. A. Smith, special assistant in the Charlestown High School, to the position of clerical assistant in the same school, having been approved by the Civil Service Commission, is hereby approved by this Board, said transfer to date from Oct. 1, 1908; she to be placed upon the first year of service in her new rank until Oct. 22, 1908, and thereafter to be advanced until the maximum salary of that rank is reached.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the transfer of Mary A. Ward, special assistant in the Dorchester High School, to the position of clerical assistant in the same school, having been approved by the Civil Service Commission, is hereby approved by this Board, said transfer to date from Oct. 6, 1908; she to be placed on the second year of service in her new rank until Dec. 10, 1908; and thereafter to be advanced until the maximum salary of that rank is reached.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the transfer of Margaret L. Ryan, special assistant in the Girls' High School of Practical Arts, to the position of clerical assistant in the same school, having been approved by the Civil Service Commission, is hereby approved by this Board, said transfer to date from Oct. 1, 1908; she to be placed on Oct. 1, 1908, upon the second year of service in her new rank, and to be advanced thereafter until the maximum salary of that rank is reached.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the transfer of Eunice J. Weston, special assistant in the Mechanic Arts High School, to the position of clerical assistant in the same school, having been approved by the Civil Service Commission, is hereby approved by this Board, said transfer to date from Oct. 1, 1908; she to be placed on the maximum salary of her new rank from Oct. 1, 1908.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the employment of an additional clerical assistant in the Mechanic Arts High School, during such portion of the school year 1908-09 as the Superintendent may deem expedient, instead of an assistant instructor to which the school is entitled, is hereby authorized.

APPOINTMENT OF STENOGRAPHERS AND TYPEWRITERS, OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 29, 1908, stating that, subject to the approval of the Board, he had appointed the following stenographers and typewriters in his office:—

Julia D. Buck, from Sept. 18 to 30, 1908, inclusive; Louise Kane, from Oct. 1, 1908; Lillian A. Stanley, from Oct. 1, 1908; Alice G. Walsh, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and the appointments approved.

LABORATORY ASSISTANTS, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That during the school year 1908-09 the employment of laboratory assistants in the English High School, at an expense not exceeding four hundred dollars (\$400), is hereby authorized.

RULES AND REGULATIONS NOT INVOLVING THE EXPENDITURE OF MONEY ADOPTED.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the Rules of the School Committee and the Regulations of the Public Schools as contained in School Document No. 4 of 1908, which do not involve the expenditure of money, are hereby adopted for the present year until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 5:30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Oct. 5, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:53 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the orders on page 134 of the minutes of the meeting of Sept. 21, relating to the visiting Prussian teacher, be amended by striking from them the name of Dr. Karl Reinhardt and inserting in place thereof the name:—Dr. Johannes Adler.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the reading of the records of the meetings of Sept. 24 and 29 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of Sept. 21.

The appointments were approved.

ENGINES, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Sept. 23, 1908, with regard to the acceptance of the engines recently installed in the Mechanic Arts High School-house, stating that the Commission is at present running these engines, but would be glad to have the School Committee take charge of them as soon as it is ready to do so.

Placed on file.

EVENING INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Commission on Industrial Education, under date of Sept. 30, 1908, acknowledging the receipt of copies of the orders passed by the School Committee at its meeting of Sept. 29, with reference to the establishment of evening industrial schools, stating that the Commission accedes to the propositions embodied in these orders, and establishes through the School Committee the evening industrial schools as outlined.

The Commission has also voted that the School Committee be appointed agents of the Commission in the management of the evening industrial schools to be established in the city of Boston under chapter 505 of the acts of 1906.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

English High School—Delia J. Hayden, special assistant, Dec. 1, 1908.

Henry L. Pierce District—Anna S. Coffey, assistant, Oct. 1, 1908.

Lincoln District—Mildred H. Tavender, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

Thomas N. Hart District—Mary F. Keyes, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

William E. Russell District—May C. McDonough, assistant, Sept. 1, 1908.

(To accept Promotion in the Service.)
Bowditch District—Cora B. Mudge, assistant, Sept. 9, 1908.
Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Blackinton District—Margaret R. Flanagan, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Bowdoin District—Regina E. Rolfe, from Sept. 24, 1908.

Bunker Hill District—Grace A. Tully, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Charles Sumner District—Margaret F. Hilliard, kindergarten, from Oct. 5, 1908.

Christopher Gibson District—Bertha I. Berger, kindergarten, from Sept. 21 until Oct. 31, 1908, inclusive.

Comins District—Martha F. McElroy, from Sept. 24, 1908.

Dudley District—Eleanor M. Osterberg, kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Dwight District—Annie V. Hogan, from Sept. 14, 1908; Teresa A. Hurley, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Elliot District—George B. Moran, from Oct. 8, 1908.

Franklin District—Helen E. MacFarlane, from Sept. 17, 1908.

Gaston District—M. Claire Cooper, from Sept. 28, 1908.

Hancock District—Grace R. Hallet, kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Henry L. Pierce District—Leila E. Boles, Oct. 5, 1908, one day; Katherine McNamara, from Oct. 1, to 19, 1908, inclusive.

Hugh O'Brien District—Margaret C. Regan, from Sept. 9 to 18, 1908, inclusive; Bessie G. Russell, from Sept. 11, 1908.

Hyde District—Adalena H. Dudley, from Sept. 9 to 14, 1908, inclusive.

Jefferson District—Alice L. McCormick, from Oct. 6, 1908.

Lewis District—Agnes G. Gunning, from Sept. 29, 1908.

Lincoln District—Agnes R. Driscoll, from Sept. 28, 1908; Gertrude A. Sullivan, from Sept. 16, until Oct. 15, 1908, inclusive.

Lyman District—Edna Long, from Sept. 11 to 17, 1908, inclusive, three and one-half days; Jennie A. Tyrrell, from Sept. 16, 1908.

Mather District—Rena Lewis, from Sept. 16, 1908; Grace R. Hallet, kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Margaret M. Riley, kindergarten, from Sept. 22, 1908.

Phillips District—Cecilia V. Mara, from Sept. 22, 1908.

Rice District—Anna M. Doherty, kindergarten, from Sept. 22 until Oct. 31, 1908, inclusive.

Robert G. Shaw District—Mary E. Alkern, from Sept. 29, 1908.

Roger Wolcott District—Mary L. Walsh, kindergarten, from Sept. 23 until Oct. 31, 1908, inclusive.

Sherwin District—Rebecca E. Carson, from Oct. 5, 1908; Frances A. English, kindergarten, from Oct. 20, 1908.

Shurtleff District—Alice M. Riley, from Oct. 5, 1908.

Thomas Gardner District—Mary G. Coyle, from Oct. 6, 1908.

Thomas N. Hart District—Gertrude M. Glynn, kindergarten, Sept. 17 and 18, 1908, two days; A. Olive Wigley, kindergarten, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 2, 1908, inclusive; Joseph A. F. O'Neill, from Sept. 23, 1908.

Warren District—Helen T. Carmody, from Sept. 9, 1908; Susan T. Rooney, from Oct. 5, 1908; Marie A. Robbins, kindergarten,

from Sept. 14, 1908; Dora Weisman, kindergarten, from Sept. 11, 1908.

Washington District—Emily M. Curtis, from Oct. 1, 1908.

William E. Russell District—Grace M. Cavanagh, from Sept. 9, 1908.
Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

English High School—James F. Tyrrell, assistant instructor, Sept. 14, 1908, one day.

Girls' High School—Nellie I. Simpson, assistant instructor, Sept. 14, 1908.

Roxbury High School—Mabel S. Blackman, special assistant, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 5, 1908, inclusive.

Agassiz District—Mary V. O'Regan, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Bennett District—Julia M. Fitzpatrick, assistant, from Sept. 9 to 15, 1908, inclusive five days; Helena McGinnis, assistant, from Sept. 16, 1908.

Francis Parkman District—Frances M. Bell, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Hyde District—Adalena H. Dudley, assistant, from Sept. 15, 1908.

Lyman District—James F. Tyrrell, assistant, Oct. 1 and 2, 1908, two days.

Mather District—Emma F. Temple, first assistant, kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Rice District—William A. Reed, submaster, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Sherwin District—Josephine M. Haney, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Manual Training—Nellie N. Nolan, assistant instructor, from Oct. 5, 1908.

Assistant Nurse—Laura H. Barbrick, from Sept. 14 until Oct. 20, 1908.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Dorchester High School—Harriet V. Elliott, assistant instructor, from Oct. 20, 1908.

Henry L. Pierce District—Anne M. Coveney, assistant, from Oct. 20, 1908.

Lincoln District—Mary E. Bunton, assistant, fourth year, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Assistant Nurses—Laura H. Barbrick, from Oct. 20, 1908; Harriet A. Shaw, from Nov. 1, 1908.

Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Mather District—Ada Cushing, first assistant, kindergarten, from Oct. 20, 1908.

Sherwin District—Beulah S. Cone, first assistant, kindergarten, from Oct. 20, 1908.

Thomas N. Hart District—Emily E. Willett, first assistant, kindergarten, from Oct. 5, 1908.

Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Brighton High School—George F. Hatch, special instructor in drawing and manual training.

Charlestown High School—Bernadette M. White, special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

English High School—Joseph P. Cady, assistant instructor.

Mechanic Arts High School—Charles L. Reed, master, head of the department of history; Harriet E. Bird, first assistant, head of the department of modern languages; Josephine D. Brooks, assistant instructor; Josephine M. Curry, assistant instructor.

West Roxbury High School—Georgiana V. Wait, special assistant instructor in commercial branches.

Blackinton District—Mabel A. C. Anderson, assistant.

Hugh O'Brien District—Mary F. MacGoldrick, assistant.

Minot District—Evelyn A. Gammons, assistant.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Clara E. Nixon, assistant.

Wells District—Ambrosine Salsbury, assistant, in charge of a special class.

Manual Training—Helen M. Ekstrom, assistant instructor.

Supervising Nurse—Margaret E. Carley. Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1908-09.

Central High School.

Assistants—William L. Anderson, C. Ross Appler, William T. Atwood, Gardner P. Balch, Edward Berge-Soler, James W. Blaisdell, Oscar H. Bresee, Albert S. Briggs, Alfred M. Butler, John J. Cadigan, Frank O. Carpenter, Frederick E. Chapman, David F. S. Clark, Frank R. Clark, Henry J. Clark, Frank M. Copeland, Frederick W. Doring, Adolph C. Ely, William R. P. Emerson, Owen D. Evans, Rollin H. Fisher, Ivory F. Frisbee, Charles A. French, Frederick G. Getchell, Harry K. Good, Ernest G. Hapgood, George B. Hayward, Guy E. Healey, Edwin A. Howes, Edgar E. Hulse, Thomas H. H. Knight, Frank E. Lakey, Charles P. Lebon, Charles T. Marsh, William G. S. McIntyre, Samuel W. Mendum, Henri Morand, Arthur B. Morong, Irving M. Norcross, William F. Rice, Henry C. Shaw, Arthur T. Smith, Agnes C. Strebeigh, Harry L. Thompson, Samuel B. Trumbull, F. Edwin Walter, Edwin H. Watson, Henry L. Withee.
Special Assistant—Edward J. Connell.
Typewriting Assistants—Henry G. Burke, Ella D. Leave (special order).
Laboratory Assistants—William J. Henderson, Harry L. Lurie.

Charlestown High School.

Assistants—Henry S. Ashton, Timothy J. Buckley, Ervin W. Engler, Daniel Foley, Edson L. Ford, Oscar C. Gallagher, Arthur Harrington, Phillip B. Paul, Roger A. Powers, Charles E. Quirk, Llewellyn O. White.
Special Teacher of Commercial Branches—Anna M. Galvin.
Special Assistant—Thomas S. Gill.
Typewriting Assistant—Julia F. Cody.

East Boston High School.

Assistants—Joel C. Bolan, Joseph F. Carter, Charles E. Fish, Joseph F. Gould, Adrienne V. de Mers, James B. Machugh, Edward J. Muldoon.
Special Assistant—Horatio W. Nelson.

Roxbury High School.

Assistants—Harry E. Bryant, Joseph P. Cady, Edward L. Curran, John E. Denham, Richard T. Evans, Edward B. Hale, Frederic B. Hall, John E. J. Kelley, Vincent L. Kelley, John A. Marsh, James W. Mudge, Leonard M. Patton, Jorgen C. Peterson, Elden D. Pratt, William J. Sands, Thomas J. Sheahan, Charles H. Taylor, Edward L. Underwood, Walter B. Waterman.
Special Assistant—William H. Nelson.
Laboratory Assistant—Lewis I. Nurenborg.

South Boston High School.

Assistants—Boyd Bartlett, Harry S. Bernstein, John J. Cummings, Arthur J. Fotch, Joel Hatheway, Thomas E. Kelley, Maurice J. Lacey, Theobald A. Lynch, Francis H. MacCarthy, N. Perry Sipprelle, S. Gertrude Tighe, Louis R. Wells.
Special Assistant—Michael J. Downey.

Bigelow School.

First Assistant—James A. Crowley.
Assistants—Charlotte E. Abramson, Catherine E. Bergen, Mary L. Brennan, Anna G. Carr, Alice E. Cunningham, James T. Donovan, Margaret M. Downing, Agnes

R. Driscoll, Mary F. Driscoll, Francis J. Emery, Louise M. Fitzpatrick, Frances M. Flanagan, Helena M. Flynn, Anna C. Grimes, Alice H. Healy, Martha L. Ireland, Mary E. Keenan, Mary E. Jones, Andrew J. Leahy, Hannah E. McDonough, Mary L. Moran, Eleanor F. Morris, Mary L. Murphy, Mary T. Sherry, Mary A. Wogan.
Interpreters—Anna Avieta, Julian K. Sliwkoski.

Bowdoin School.

First Assistant—Ida E. Hall (special order).

Assistants—Deborah F. Barry, Alice M. Colbert, Katharine L. Colbert, Rose A. Conry, Emily M. Desmond, Helena M. Doherty, Mary A. Founy, Josephine M. Haney, Anna J. Harmon, Catherine A. Hogan, Harriet E. Kingsbury, Christina W. MacLachlan, Mary Josephine O'Neil, Alice G. Ryan, Jennie A. Tyrrell, Gertrude E. Welch.

Christopher Columbus School.

First Assistant—George B. Moran.

Assistants—Grace G. Colman, Martha E. Daniels, Nina M. Doanan, Elizabeth L. Keefe.

Interpreter—Michele Nigro.

Comins School.

First Assistant—John C. Riley.

Assistants—Florence A. Brady, Emma A. Brust, Agnes G. Cotter, Elinor G. Cowan, Mary A. A. Haverty, Francis W. Johnston, Frances E. Kelly, Susan H. Lane, Mary T. Lynch, Margaret E. McMahon, Ellen J. McMorro, Annie E. McWilliams, Evelyn M. O'Bryan, Mary J. O'Neill, Lillie M. Redfern, Rebecca F. Silbert, Mary A. Starkey.

Eliot School.

Assistants—Anna A. Cassidy, Helen M. Cleveland, Mary A. Connelly, Margaret A. F. Cotter, Madalene I. Curry, Lillie J. Davis, Alice M. Deehan, Frances G. Dixon, Alice M. Flanagan, Rose J. Geggis, Mary G. Goldsberry, Janet B. Jordan, Margaret R. Kenneally, Marguerite F. Lally, Annie Lynch, Anna L. McMurry, Ida A. Merriam, Mary M. Murphy, Katherine G. O'Brien, Aloyse M. Owen, Sarah G. Stowers, Margaret M. Sullivan.

Interpreters—Philipas P. Apostolopoulos, Carlo C. Grillo, Joseph De Marco, Hyman Morrison.

Franklin School.

First Assistant—James Burrier.

Assistants—Azniv Beshgeturian, Clara H. Franke, Charlotte M. Frost, Elizabeth Hutchings, Mary A. G. Jones, Margaret M. O'Brien, Elizabeth E. O'Connell, May M. Stetson, Marian A. Suck, Annie M. Trundy, Sarah F. Woodworth.

Interpreters—Louis Leyser, Alfred J. Markowitz, Samuel Starr.

Hancock School.

First Assistant—Hugh J. McElaney.

Assistants—Margaret A. M. Collins, Teresa E. Driscoll, Regina M. Hart, Annie V. Hogan, Helen L. Leahy, Margaret K. Long, Grace B. McCormick, Marie Morse, Margaret M. O'Connor, Linda C. O'Dowd.

Interpreter—Olympia de Feo.

Lincoln School.

First Assistant—Edward J. Carroll.

Assistants—Alma Boodro, Hyacinthe M. Brady, M. Louise Costello, Esther L. McNellis, Annie R. Toye, Ellen M. Wight.

Lyman School.

First Assistant—Harry Brooks.

Assistants—Mary E. Conlin, Elizabeth A. Donahue, Nellie E. Dunne, Margaret R.

Flanagan, Mary A. Ford, Emma L. Heshion, Mary E. Lowder, Mary V. O'Regan, Elizabeth L. Prendergast, Catherine J. Sullivan, Eileene A. Sweeney, Arthur Williams.

Phillips Brooks School.

First Assistant—Joseph A. F. O'Neil.

Assistants—Elvira L. Austin, Mary F. Bowen, Dorothy M. Carney, Mary F. Dutton, Margaret G. Hatch, Cecilia V. Mara, Anna M. Suhl.

Quincy School.

First Assistant—Howard G. Kingman.

Assistants—Adelaide G. Nelson, Edith S. Schweitzer, Ada B. Seabury, Blanche B. Starratt, Kate V. Tiernay, Calliope N. Vaites, Katharine Weisman, Jennie N. Whitecher.

Interpreters—Naaman Menaker, Henry T. Schnittkind, Gregory S. Vlasto.

Warren School.

First Assistant—Stephen J. Murdock.

Assistants—Marguerite V. Brickley, Mary M. Hayes, Katherine E. Hurley (1906), Anna M. Magrath, Elizabeth J. Turnbull, Elisabeth S. Webster, Emily M. H. Thomas, Grace A. Sullivan.

Washington Allston School.

First Assistant—William T. Miller.

Assistants—Eva M. Cotton, Florence M. Fogarty, Alice J. Moran, Mary G. Coyle, Theresa F. Long, Lena B. Winter.

Wells School.

First Assistant—David Fliegelman.

Assistants—Sidney E. Bailey, Mary E. Coveney, Sara G. Bissell, Mabel A. Harris, Max Hartmann, Marie F. Hill, Alice E. McMurrrough, Katherine McNamara, Ellen T. O'Keefe, Anna T. O'Sullivan, Mary W. Perry, Mary E. Smith (1899).

Interpreters—John V. Carchia, Henry H. Damon, Solomon Feingold, Sandra R. Herson, Mark M. Horblit, Sophie B. Myers, Alfred A. Sifton.

Evening Industrial School.

Principal—Frank M. Leavitt.

Assistant Principal—William B. Carpentier.

First Assistants in Charge—Charles L. Adams, Alexander Miller, Henry W. Poor, Albert L. Ware.

Assistants—Herbert W. Adams, third year; Anna K. Blaisdell, third year; Stephen B. Boyd, third year; William B. Bradford, third year; William F. Brown, third year; Henry K. Burrison, third year; J. Albert Cole, third year; William P. Edwards, third year; Arthur L. Goodrich, third year; Charles E. Heil, third year; Frederic W. McArdle, second year; Walter H. Naylor, third year; Augustus F. Rose, first year; Charles W. Sawyer, third year; Albert F. Schmitt, third year; Minnie S. Seaver, third year; Herbert D. White, third year.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Bunker Hill District—Lucy C. Wiig, assistant, to the same position in the Harvard District, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Mary B. Tenney, assistant, to the same position in the Hyde District, from Sept. 15, 1908.

Martin District—Margaret M. A. Kennedy, assistant, to the same position in the Hugh O'Brien District, from Sept. 15, 1908.

Minot District—James A. Treanor, sub-master, to the same position in the Phillips Brooks District, from Oct. 5, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Edson L. Ford, sub-master, to the same position in the Minot District, from Oct. 5, 1908.

Spectacle Island School—John A. O'Keefe, Jr., assistant, to the same position in the Lawrence School, from Sept. 28, 1908.

Washington District—Lillian G. Norris, assistant, on probation, to the same position, on probation, in the Thomas N. Hart District, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Adams District—(Plummer No. 2 Kindergarten), Mary Clark, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Agassiz District—(Old Agassiz Kindergarten), Eleanor M. Brohm, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Bunker Hill District—(B. F. Tweed Kindergarten), Annie J. Murphy, from Sept. 10, 1908.

Elliot District—(Christopher Columbus Kindergarten), Louisa Garibotto; (Pormort Kindergarten), Celia Pote; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Franklin District—(Cook Kindergarten), Mary E. Moore, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Gaston District—(Tuckerman Kindergarten), Jennie E. Wesson, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Hancock District—(Cushman Kindergarten), Raphaella Langone; (North End Union), Mary Strollo; (North Margin-street Kindergarten), Laura Cataldo, Mary Di Pesa; (Paul Revere Kindergarten), Jennie Gavoni, Jennie Strollo; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Henry L. Pierce District—(John Greenleaf Whittier Kindergarten), Beatrice S. Follett, from Sept. 9 to 30, 1908, inclusive.

Hugh O'Brien District—(Samuel W. Mason Kindergarten), Catherine Parke; (Portable School-house No. 7), Mary McNamara; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—(Harris Kindergarten), Grace Stratton, from Sept. 14, 1908.

Mather District—(Benjamin Cushing Kindergarten), Marguerite Leighton, from Sept. 9 to Oct. 30, 1908, inclusive; (Old Mather Kindergarten), Emma Schulz, from Sept. 9 to 18, 1908, inclusive; Grace M. Wark, from Sept. 21 until Oct. 30, 1908, inclusive.

Phillips Brooks District—(Howard-avenue Kindergarten), Agnes McClelland; (Hull Kindergarten), Julia Nixon; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Quincy District—(Andrews Kindergarten), Margaret A. Cronin; (Quincy Kindergarten), Mary E. O'Brien; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Robert G. Shaw District—(Baker-street Kindergarten), Alice G. Kane, from Sept. 14, 1908; (Mt. Vernon-street Kindergarten), Gertrude L. Lambert, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Roger Wolcott District—(Tileston Kindergarten), Susie Mills, from Sept. 11, 1908.

Thomas Gardner District—(Auburn Kindergarten), Helena E. Comerford, from Sept. 16, 1908; (Everett Kindergarten), Margaret E. Finnegan, from Sept. 22, 1908; (Harvard Kindergarten), Faith M. Ellis, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Warren District—(Copley Kindergarten), Alice Phalan, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Public Latin School—Arthur I. Fiske, head-master, Oct. 7, 1908, one day.

South Boston High School—Henriette Goldstein, special assistant instructor in French, Oct. 5, 1908, one day.

Blackinton District—Mary L. Place, assistant, Sept. 25, 1908, one-half day.

Bowditch District—Annie M. Johnson, assistant, Sept. 24, 1908, one-half day.

Chapman District—Margaret D. Barr, assistant, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 15, 1908; Clara A. Brown, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1908, until Jan. 29, 1909; Clara A. Otis, assistant, from Sept. 14, 1908, until Jan. 4, 1909.

Dillaway District—Elizabeth Palmer, assistant, Sept. 14, 1908, one-half day.

Edward Everett District—L. Cora Morse, assistant, Sept. 25, 1908, one day; A. Gertrude Malloch, first assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Henrietta A. Hill, first assistant, grammar school, from Sept. 14 to 18, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Elliot District—Mary A. Cahill, assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 28, 29 and 30, 1908, three days.

Emerson District—Eliza J. Murphy, assistant, from Sept. 21 to 25, 1908, inclusive, five days; Isabella J. Ray, assistant, Sept. 9, 1908, one-half day.

Frothingham District—Madeline A. Foppiano, assistant, from Sept. 9 until Dec. 7, 1908; Anna F. Hingston, assistant, from Sept. 9 until Nov. 2, 1908.

Gaston District—Emogene F. Willett, assistant, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 1, 1908.

George Putnam District—Ellen E. Leach, assistant, Sept. 9, 1908, one-half day.

Hancock District—Eleanor A. M. Collerton, assistant, Sept. 28, 1908, one day; Margaret V. Meade, first assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 28, 1908, one day.

Lewis District—Agnes R. Elliott, first assistant, kindergarten, from Sept. 10 until Oct. 16, 1908.

Lincoln District—Edna F. Henderson, assistant, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 12, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—Ida K. McGiffert, first assistant in charge, Sept. 29, 1908, one day.

Mather District—Elizabeth Donaldson, first assistant in charge, from Sept. 15 until Oct. 17, 1908; Mary G. Cahill, assistant, Sept. 24, 1908, one day.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Lelia R. Hayden, assistant, Sept. 23, 1908, one day.

Prescott District—Alice Simpson, assistant, Sept. 15, 1908, one day.

Rice District—Clara C. Dunn, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Sherwin District—Rose L. Hurvitz, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day.

Shurtleff District—Mary J. Cullen, assistant, Sept. 25, 1908, one day; Mary E. Morse, assistant, Sept. 29 and 30, 1908, two days.

Thomas Gardner District—Grace E. Hackett, assistant, Sept. 9 and 10, 1908, two days.

Thomas N. Hart District—Elizabeth S. Tash, assistant, kindergarten, from Sept. 9 to 15, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Warren District—Caroline A. Meade, assistant, Sept. 28, 1908, one-half day.

Washington District—Mary E. Durgin, assistant, Sept. 21, 1908, one day; Mary C. Locke, assistant, Sept. 28, 1908, one-half day.

Washington Allston District—Edith J. Jones, assistant, Sept. 29, 1908, one-half day.

Wells District—Anna F. Daly, assistant, Sept. 16, 1908, one-half day.

Winthrop District—Mary A. Reardon, assistant, Sept. 18, 1908, one-half day.

Manual Training—Josephine May, assistant instructor, from Oct. 15, 1908, until Feb. 15, 1909.

Sewing—Annie L. Killion, teacher, Sept. 11, 1908, one-half day.

Assistant Nurse—Jennie R. Dix, Sept. 25, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study, travel and rest, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted the following-named teacher, for the term specified:—

Longfellow District—Emma Burrows, assistant, from Dec. 1, 1908, until July 1, 1909.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without loss of pay was granted the following-named teacher for the term specified:—

Lyman District—Augustus H. Kelley, master, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 2, 1908, inclusive.

On the report of the Superintendent, and

under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without pay was granted each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Bowditch District—Martha T. Howes, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Comins District—Margaret S. Lunt, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909.

Sherwin District—Amy W. Shaw, assistant, from Oct. 5, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of eighty-three minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

ACTING MASTER AND FIRST ASSISTANT IN CHARGE.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, reporting that he had designated the following-named teachers to fill the positions specified temporarily:—

Harvard District—Sarah J. Worcester, assistant, to act as first assistant in charge to fill a vacancy, from Sept. 9 to 30, 1908, inclusive.

Lawrence District—Edwin C. Howard, sub-master, to act as principal, the master being absent on account of illness, Sept. 23, 24 and 25, 1908.

Placed on file.

CLERICAL ASSISTANTS, HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, stating that, subject to the approval of the Board, he had appointed the following-named clerical assistants:—

East Boston High School—Amy H. Jones, from Oct. 5, 1908.

English High School—Carrie L. Tewksbury, from Dec. 1, 1908.

South Boston High School—Mary C. Rice, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Placed on file, and the appointments approved.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the order passed by the School Committee at its meeting held Sept. 29, 1908, whereby Mary A. Ward, special assistant in the Dorchester High School, was transferred to the position of clerical assistant in the same school, is hereby rescinded.

NORTH MARGIN-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, with reference to the communication from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners relative to the further occupancy of the North Margin-street School-house, referred at the meeting of Sept. 8, stating that he had investigated the conditions existing in said school-house, and after conference with the Schoolhouse Commission, it seems desirable that this building be continued in use for school purposes for the present, and also recommending that the use of the rented quarters in the North End Industrial Union be discontinued.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be sent to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

AMENDMENT TO SALARY SCHEDULE.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, calling attention to inconsistencies in the salary schedule adopted for the present

school year, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the schedule of teachers' salaries adopted for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1909, be amended as follows:—

Order No. 1.

Special Classes—Strike out "\$396," in the second line, and insert in place thereof "\$395."

Order No. 6.

Strike out the word "fifth" and substitute the word "sixth" in place thereof in the sixth line.

Order No. 7.

Strike out the word "fifth" and insert the word "sixth" in place thereof in the sixth line.

The communication was placed on file, and the order passed.

MATERIAL, TOOLS AND SUPPLIES, EVENING INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the material, tools and supplies used in the Mechanic Arts High School building for the Evening Industrial School be subject to the direction and control of the Principal of the Mechanic Arts High School.

ADDITIONAL TYPEWRITING ASSISTANT, CENTRAL EVENING HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the employment of an additional typewriting assistant in the Central Evening High School during the term 1908-09, instead of a second clerical assistant to which the school is entitled under the regulations, is hereby authorized.

WOMAN FIRST ASSISTANT, BOWDOIN EVENING SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the employment of a woman as first assistant in the Bowdoin Evening School is hereby authorized for the term 1908-09, instead of a male first assistant to which the school is entitled under the regulations.

RETIREMENT OF TEACHER ON PENSION.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, stating that he had received a request from the following-named teacher, to be retired on pension, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:—

Gaston District—Emogene F. Willett, from Sept. 30, 1908.

Placed on file.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the following-named teacher in the public schools of this city be retired on pension from the date stated in connection with her name, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:—

Gaston District—Emogene F. Willett, from Sept. 30, 1908.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, submitting a statement relative to the age or length of service of Emogene F. Willett, retired by the Board in accordance with the foregoing order, under the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908, by which it appears that she is entitled to receive a pension at the rate of \$180 per annum.

Approved, and the communication placed on file.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

The twenty-eighth annual report of the Superintendent of the public schools of the City of Boston, being School Document No. 7, 1908, was presented.

Placed on file.

PORTABLE BLACKBOARDS.

A report was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, relative to the communication from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners with reference to the use of portable blackboards in schools: referred at the meeting of Aug. 6, stating that the Board of Superintendents believes that portable blackboards are in many rooms of valuable assistance in teaching, and in some rooms indispensable because all the pupils cannot see distinctly writing on the front blackboard; that said Board does not deem the fact that they would be in the way in case of fire of sufficient importance to warrant their discontinuance; and that the use of the blackboard to display drawings, etc., has high educational value and should be allowed. The Board, therefore, recommends that portable blackboards be provided for the schools in accordance with requisitions made by the respective principals.

The recommendation was adopted, the communication placed on file, and a copy ordered to be sent to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

JANITORSHIP, 1448 COLUMBUS-AVENUE SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Sept. 24, 1908, stating that pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Sept. 21, the Civil Service Commission has certified the following-named persons as eligible for appointment to the position of janitor of the 1448 Columbus-avenue School:—Francis L. O'Connor, Henry L. Wildes, Dennis J. Lenehan.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES. COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Oct. 1, 1908, submitting a statement showing the original appropriations for supplies and incidentals, appropriations as amended by the Board of Apportionment on May 21, 1908, and expenditures and balances to Oct. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

Communications were received from the Business Agent, under dates of Oct. 1 and 5, 1908, submitting a statement and supplement showing the appropriations, expenditures and balances for the first nine months of the current financial year, the expenditures for the whole of the last financial year, and expenditures for the corresponding nine months of 1907, with the increases in the several items.

Placed on file.

AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS.

Communications were received from the Business Agent, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, suggesting that the regulations be amended in accordance with the following orders:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Sect. 344, par. 3. Strike out the paragraph.

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Sect. 345. Add the following paragraph:—

2. Teachers absent from duty without pay for a continuous period of three months or more, shall have the dates of their anniversaries arbitrarily advanced by the amount of such absence.

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Sect. 349, par. 2. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

2. Teachers appointed to begin service on probation prior to September 1, 1906, shall be exempt from the provisions of section 345, paragraph 1, and sections 346, 347, 348 and 349.

The communications were placed on file, and the orders laid over.

CERTIFICATION OF AREAS, WARD ROOM, MEETING HOUSE HILL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, enclosing a certification of the areas of the ward room building used by the Girls' High School of Practical Arts for school purposes, and recommending that the salary of the janitor be on the basis of these measurements.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the Chairman was authorized to approve the certification, to take effect Sept. 9, 1908.

PORTABLE SCALES FOR WEIGHING COAL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, stating that there had been considerable difficulty experienced in having all of the coal delivered to the various school-houses weighed under the supervision of a weigher from the school department, and recommending that portable scales be purchased, which can be easily moved to various sections of the city, and the weight of the coal verified, the scales to cost approximately \$400.

Referred to the Business Agent for consideration and report.

RESIGNATION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, enclosing the resignation of James A. Hanlon, from the janitorship of the Little Em'ly School-house, to date from Oct. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

JANITORSHIP, 1448 COLUMBUS-AVENUE SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 3, 1908, stating that he had interviewed the three candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission as eligible for appointment to the janitorship of the 1448 Columbus-avenue School, and recommending that Francis L. O'Connor, who stands at the head of the list, be appointed, to date from Oct. 7, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the appointment of Francis L. O'Connor to said position was approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, GASTON PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE NO. 74.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 29, 1908, stating that portable building No. 74 has recently been erected in the yard of the Gaston School-house, and recommending that John McLeod, the janitor of

the Gaston School-house, be appointed to the janitorship of the portable building, to date from Sept. 15, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the appointment of John McLeod to said position was approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, LEWIS AND LEWIS ANNEX SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 24, 1908, submitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Lewis and Lewis Annex School-houses, and recommending the transfer of Frank P. Bartlett, janitor of the Minot and Portable School-houses, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Oct. 15, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the transfer of Frank P. Bartlett to said position was approved, from the date stated.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS, REAPPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFER OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 5, 1908, submitting the following temporary appointments, reappointments and transfer of janitors, for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Brewster, Brewster Annex and Portable School-houses—John Powers, appointed from Sept. 24, 1908, reappointed from Oct. 4, 1908; amount due from Sept. 24 until Oct. 5, 1908, inclusive, \$28.40.

1448 Columbus-avenue School—Charles Weihe, appointed from Sept. 21, 1908, reappointed from Oct. 1, 1908; amount due from Sept. 21 until Oct. 6, 1908, inclusive, \$5.33.

Cook School-house—Edward Powers, reappointed from Sept. 22 and Oct. 2, 1908; amount due from Sept. 22 until Oct. 3, 1908, inclusive, \$18.20.

Lewis and Lewis Annex School-houses—Patrick F. Powers, transferred from Brewster, Brewster Annex and Portable School-houses, from Sept. 24, 1908, reappointed from Oct. 4, 1908; amount due from Sept. 24 until Oct. 5, 1908, inclusive, \$39.60.

Four Portables, rear of 64 Joy Street—Dennis J. Lenehan, appointed from Oct. 3, 1908.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

Edward Powers, Cook School-house, from Sept. 22 until Oct. 5, 1908, inclusive, eighteen and 20-100 dollars (\$18.20).

John Powers, Brewster, Brewster Annex and Portable School-houses, from Sept. 24 until Oct. 5, 1908, inclusive, twenty-eight and 40-100 dollars (\$28.40).

Patrick F. Powers, Lewis and Lewis Annex School-houses, from Sept. 24 until Oct. 5, 1908, inclusive, thirty-nine and 60-100 dollars (\$39.60).

Charles Weihe, 1448 Columbus-avenue School, from Sept. 21 until Oct. 6, 1908, inclusive, five and 33-100 dollars (\$5.33).

REINSTATEMENT OF JAMES E. GANNON.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That James E. Gannon, having complied with Civil Service rules, be reinstated in the position of messenger for the School Committee, to date from Oct. 1, 1908.

CARE OF LAND, NORMAL SCHOOL GROUP.

A communication was received from John Tetlow, Head-Master of the Girls' Latin School, under date of Sept. 23, 1908, calling attention to the untidy condition of the land in front of the Normal School Group, and requesting that provision be made for its care.

Referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners for attention.

LESSONS IN FOLK DANCING, QUINCY EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Bertha Hazard, Principal of the Quincy Evening School, under date of Sept. 30, 1908, stating that a course of lessons in folk dancing has recently been offered for the benefit of the girls attending the Quincy Evening School, the lessons to be given without expense to the city one evening each week during the ensuing evening school term.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the Principal of the Quincy Evening School was authorized to accept the aforesaid offer for the evening school term of 1908-09.

LESSONS IN COOKERY, QUINCY EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Helena S. Dudley, Denison House, under date of Sept. 30, 1908, offering to provide instruction in cookery in the Denison House on two evenings each week during the ensuing evening school term for a few of the girls attending the Quincy Evening School, the same to be without expense to the city.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of the Superintendent the aforesaid offer was accepted.

FLOORING AND ATHLETIC APPARATUS, RANDOLPH-STREET PLAYGROUND.

Petitions were received from Robert A. Woods, South End House, that a board flooring be placed on the ground floor of the field house in the Randolph-street playground, and that athletic apparatus, consisting of jumping standards, shot put hammer, pole vault materials, and tape measures, together with markings for a quarter mile track, be provided for said playground.

Referred to the Director of School Hygiene for consideration and report.

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of October, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Dr. Scannell.

USE OF INTOXICATING LIQUORS BY JANITORS.

Dr. Scannell offered the following preamble and order:—

WHEREAS, In the opinion of this Board the physical safety and best interests of the pupils attending the public schools would be served by the observation of the principle of total abstinence from intoxicating liquors on the part of janitors and engineers, it is hereby

ORDERED, That rule 3 of the Rules for Janitors, Engineers and Matrons of the Public Schools is hereby amended by inserting the following as paragraph 3 of said rule:—

Janitors shall totally abstain from the use of all intoxicating liquors and any violation of this rule shall be deemed sufficient cause for immediate dismissal from the service.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, laid on the table.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 11:20 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Oct. 8, 1908.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston, called by order of the Chairman, was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 5:05 o'clock P. M.

Present:—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE.

Pending the arrival of the Chairman, the Board was called to order by Mr. Brock, the senior member, who also presided.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order, offered by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Sept. 21:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:

Sect. 291, par. 13, clause 4. Strike out the clause and insert in place thereof the following:—

In the Girls' High School, one special instructor in commercial branches instead of a junior-master, and two special assistant instructors in commercial branches and one special assistant instructor in chemistry and one special assistant instructor in drawing instead of assistant instructors.

Passed.

REMOVAL OF ASHES FROM SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from Guy C. Emerson, Superintendent of Streets, under date of Oct. 7, 1908, stating that frequent requests have been received by him for the removal of ashes from school-houses, that he has been informed that some of the school-house ashes are removed under contract made presumably by the School Department, while other ashes are removed by the Sanitary Division of the Street Department, and asking that the School Committee make a statement of its practice in the matter.

Referred to the Business Agent for consideration and report.

ELECTRIC SWITCHES, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners under date of Oct. 7, 1908, relative to the order passed at the meeting of Sept. 21, requesting said Board to change the existing arrangement of switches in the basement of the English High School, in order that the necessity of running all the electric lamps when but a portion are needed might be eliminated, stating the manner and extent of using the lights in the basement, and the cost and desirability of making the proposed change.

Referred to the Business Agent for consideration and report.

Mr. Storrow arrived and assumed the Chair.

HEATING OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 8, 1908, reporting that no sessions are being held in the Old Mather, Dorchester-avenue, John A. Andrew and Appleton-street School-houses this week, on account of the lack of heat in these buildings owing to the fact that the heating apparatus is being repaired.

The Board proceeded to consider the matter referred to in the foregoing communication, and Principals Southworth of the Mather District, Owen of the Rice District, Whittemore of the Mary Hemenway District, Dimick of the Wells District and Weaver of the Girls' High School of Practical Arts, appeared, and made statements with respect to the conditions of the heating apparatus in the aforesaid buildings.

Subsequently, the communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian was placed on file, and the Chairman authorized to transmit the following communication to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners:—

Oct. 8, 1908.

R. Clipston Sturgis, Esq., Chairman, Schoolhouse Commission, 120 Boylston street, Boston.

Dear Sir:—

We desire to call the attention of the Schoolhouse Commission to the fact that the principals of five schools have been compelled to dismiss their pupils because the heating apparatus has not been in a condition for use. So far as this Board can determine, the defects in the heating apparatus of these several schools existed at the beginning of the long summer vacation last June, and the present disorder of the heating apparatus, which has occasioned the dismissal of these pupils, is due to the fact that the necessary alterations and repairs have been undertaken since the reopening of the schools this autumn.

The schools to which we refer, and the number of pupils dismissed in each case, are as follows:—

Old Mather School: Temperature Thursday, Oct. 1, 60 degrees; on Friday, Oct. 2, as low as 52 degrees in some of the rooms. The school dismissed on Friday. On Monday, Oct. 5, pupils reported again; temperature unsatisfactory; school dismissed until heating apparatus is in condition for use. The master reports to us that the old boilers are out of the building and the new boilers have not yet arrived. Number of pupils dismissed 240. Besides these, 80 pupils belonging to the Girls' High School of Practical Arts and occupying the third floor were unable to use the building.

Appleton-Street School: Temperature too low on Wednesday, Sept. 30, Thursday, Oct. 1, Friday, Oct. 2, Monday, Oct. 5, and Tuesday, Oct. 6. On Wednesday the rooms were so cold that, after consultation with the medical inspector, it was deemed necessary to dismiss the school. Number of pupils dismissed 460.

Dorchester-Avenue School: Boiler taken out last week. School dismissed on Thursday, Oct. 1, and on Friday, Oct. 2. Pupils instructed not to return until heating apparatus was in condition for use. Number of pupils dismissed 160.

John A. Andrew School: Temperature Wednesday, Sept. 30, 52 to 56 degrees. Pupils told not to return until they received notice and are still out. Number of pupils dismissed 720.

Wells School: On Monday, Oct. 5, 600 pupils dismissed because the heating apparatus was not in condition for use.

Mr. Dimick, the principal of this school, reports that it was only necessary to dismiss his pupils one day.

We are informed that the old boilers in the Wells School are to be discontinued

and new boilers are to be installed this autumn.

The School Committee would be glad to be informed as to how soon the heating apparatus in these several schools will be in readiness again for use, so that the pupils can return, and also whether there are any other school buildings where alterations or repairs of the heating apparatus are likely to require the dismissal of the pupils.

We enclose copy of letter received from the principal of the John A. Andrew School which indicates the disturbance to the school work caused by carrying on the

work of repairing or replacing heating apparatus while the school is in session.

Yours very truly,

James J. Storrow,
Chairman, Boston School Committee.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 7:35 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Oct. 19, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:47 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the reading of the records of the meetings of Oct. 5 and 8 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the meeting of Oct. 5.

The appointments were approved.

EXPENDITURE FOR DOMESTIC SCIENCE AND ARTS EQUIPMENT, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL OF PRACTICAL ARTS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the expenditure of a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) is hereby authorized for the purchase of necessary equipment for the domestic science and arts department of the Girls' High School of Practical Arts.

AUTHORIZING FIRE DRILLS BY SCHOOLHOUSE COMMISSION.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, addressed to the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 6, 1908, requesting that it be granted authority to order fire drills in the various schools in order that the members of that department may themselves see the operation of the equipment for which they are responsible.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That a Schoolhouse Commissioner, or any single employee of the Schoolhouse Department to be designated by the Commissioners, may give the fire alarm signal in any school building under the direction of the master.

EXPENSE OF HEAT AND LIGHT, SILVER-STREET SCHOOL BUILDING.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Oct. 10, 1908, stating that it has received bills for electric light and for coal for the school building on Silver street, used for storage purposes by that department, which in its opinion should be paid by the School Committee.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Dudley District—Ingemisca G. Weysses, assistant, Oct. 15, 1908.
Lyman District—Florence M. Welch, first assistant, kindergarten, Oct. 7, 1908.
Rice District—Dorothy Taft, assistant, Oct. 16, 1908.
Roger Wolcott District—Mary M. McNally, assistant, Oct. 26, 1908.
Washington District—Emma J. Burke, assistant, Oct. 12, 1908.
Accepted.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

West Roxbury High School—Frances B. Wilson, assistant, Oct. 6, 1908.
Lewis District—Catherine G. Foley, assistant, Oct. 1, 1908.
Mather District—Bertha E. Dennis, assistant, Sept. 16, 1908.
Rice District—Bertram C. Richardson, sub-master, Sept. 21, 1908.
Wells District—Priscilla Whiton, master's assistant, Sept. 21, 1908; Elizabeth Campbell, assistant, Oct. 6, 1908.
Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Adams District—Mary H. Healey, from Oct. 14, 1908; Laura M. Lane, from Oct. 13, 1908.
Bowditch District—Agnes E. Reagan, from Oct. 15, 1908, until Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive; Jessie B. Smith, from Oct. 20, 1908.
Comins District—Alice Y. Fellows, from Oct. 12 to 16, 1908, inclusive.
Emerson District—Emma L. Steves, from Oct. 1, 1908.
Gaston District—Margaret M. Lennon, from Sept. 28 to Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive.
George Putnam District—Harriet L. Dahl, from Oct. 6 to 9, 1908, inclusive; Florence R. LeBlanc, from Oct. 14, 1908.
Hancock District—Clara E. McIntosh, kindergarten, from Oct. 7, 1908.
Harvard District—Carolyn B. Supple, from Oct. 14, 1908.
Hyde District—Jane Hay, from Oct. 12, 1908.
Lawrence District—Edward J. Carroll, from Oct. 9, 1908.
Lewis District—Ethel Hutchinson, kindergarten, from Sept. 9 until Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive.
Lyman District—May Harty, from Oct. 9 until Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive; Helena McGinnis, from Oct. 19, 1908; Alice J. Moran, from Sept. 9, 1908; Edna K. Lane, kindergarten, from Oct. 8, 1908.
Mary Hemenway District—Mary I. Foley, from Oct. 12, 1908; A. Olive Wigley, kindergarten, from Oct. 20 until Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive.
Phillips Brooks District—Martha L. Ireland, from Oct. 12, 1908.
Robert G. Shaw District—Lulu M. Godfrey, from Oct. 6, 1908.
Rice District—Alice G. Ryan, from Oct. 19, 1908.
Sherwin District—Frances A. English, kindergarten, from Oct. 20 until Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive.
Thomas N. Hart District—Mary G. Coyle, from Sept. 21 to 30, 1908, inclusive.
Washington District—Alice H. O'Connell, from Oct. 12 until Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive.
Wells District—Mary F. O'Neil, from Oct. 19, 1908; Agnes McCloskey, from Sept. 21, 1908.
Winthrop District—Jessie C. Davidson, from Oct. 12, 1908.
Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Bennett District—Julia M. Fitzpatrick, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Bowditch District—Annie C. Shea, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Dwight District—James F. Tyrrell, assistant, from Oct. 8, 1908.

Lawrence District—Margaret M. Sullivan, assistant, from Oct. 9, 1908.

Sherwin District—Katherine E. Hurley (class of 1905), assistant, from Oct. 5, 1908.

William E. Russell District—Mary I. Foley, assistant, from Sept. 18 to 30, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Adams District—Laura M. Lane, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Bennett District—Vesta E. Chadwick, assistant, fourth year, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Blackinton District—Hazel N. Boice, assistant; Elizabeth Hiscock, assistant, fourth year, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Bowditch District—Agnes E. Reagan, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Bowdoin District—Mabel Carling, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Brimmer District—Catherine G. Kelleher, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Bunker Hill District—Elizabeth F. Doherty, Augusta S. Tavender, assistants, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Charles Sumner District—Margaret F. Hilliard, assistant, kindergarten, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Dearborn District—Katherine R. Murphy, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Dillaway District—Flora M. Hoyt, assistant, kindergarten; F. Louise Dacey, Eleanor A. Larivee, assistants, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Dudley District—Alice M. Duston, assistant; Josephine Marston, assistant, fourth year, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Eliot District—George B. Moran, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Emerson District—Marion Chesley, Esther M. Buchan, assistants, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Franklin District—Mary J. Rogers, Alice M. Russell, Alice M. Sweeney, assistants, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Frothingham District—Mary J. Driscoll, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Gaston District—Margaret M. Lennon, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

George Putnam District—Anna L. Gormley, Helen M. Richardson, Eileen R. Tewksbury, assistants, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Henry L. Pierce District—Anne M. Covey, assistant, second year, from Oct. 20, 1908; Hannah Greenberg, Marie L. Mahoney, Pauline F. Rafter, assistants, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Lewis District—Alice H. Fogarty, assistant; Ethel Hutchinson, assistant, kindergarten, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Lyman District—May Harty, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—Annie S. Hagarty, Annie L. McGrory, assistants; A. Olive Wigley, assistant, kindergarten, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Mather District—Grace R. Hallett, assistant, kindergarten; Rena Lewis, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Minot District—Grace E. Feeney, assistant, second year, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Grace E. Brett, Helen L. Brown, assistants, kindergarten; Susie J. McCloskey, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Mary L. Fogarty, Madeline M. Waxer, assistants, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Quincy District—Lavina M. Grimes, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Rice District—Alice J. F. Kane, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Sherwin District—Rebecca E. Carson, assistant; Frances A. English, assistant, kindergarten, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Spectacle Island School—Frances A. Neilson, teacher, from Sept. 28, 1908.

Thomas N. Hart District—Joseph A. F. O'Neil, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Warren District—Susan T. Rooney, assistant; Marie A. Robbins, Dora Weisman, assistants, kindergarten, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Washington District—Emily M. Curtis, Helena R. Baldrey, Mary H. Leavey, Alice H. O'Connell, assistants, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Wells District—Agnes McCloskey, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Winthrop District—Grace E. Maloney, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Bigelow District—Theobald A. Lynch, sub-master, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Lyman District—Marion R. Fenno, first assistant, kindergarten, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—John J. Cummings, sub-master, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Roger Wolcott District—Lucy E. Low, first assistant, kindergarten, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Washington District—Eleanor B. Jamison, first assistant in charge, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Girls' Latin School—Mary R. Stark, Alice M. Smith, assistant instructors.

East Boston High School—Lucretia E. Berry, assistant; Edith Rose, assistant instructor.

English High School—Frank E. Lakey, instructor; Delia J. Hayden, special assistant.

Girls' High School—Francis A. Smith, junior-master; Mary A. M. Papineau, assistant instructor.

Bennett District—Isabel M. Wier, master's assistant.

Bowditch District—Eliza D. Bean, assistant.

Comins District—Thomas J. Sheahan, sub-master.

Eliot District—Frances A. McMahan, Alice M. Murray, assistants.

Emerson District—Avis A. Kingston, assistant.

Francis Parkman District—May C. O'Brien, assistant.

George Putnam District—Charlotte E. Dogherty, assistant.

Lowell District—Mary Crampton, assistant; Ruth Dasey, assistant, kindergarten.

Lyman District—Alice E. Steer, assistant.

Washington District—Myra K. Parker, Mary V. Sullivan, assistants.

Drawing—Helen E. Cleaves, assistant in Assistant Nurse—Josephine Ellis.

Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1908-09.

Central High School—Newton D. Clarke, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908.

East Boston High School—Everett L. Getchell, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Bigelow School—Nellie T. Gallagher, Agnes R. Hurley, assistants, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Bowdoin School—Margaret L. Cosgrove, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Christopher Columbus School—Mary B. Cashman, Mary E. Nugent, Mary J. O'Neil, assistants; Abraham I. Shahn, interpreter; from Oct. 19, 1908.

Comins School—Gladys G. Davie, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Eliot School—Margaret M. F. Conley, Anna G. MacMahon, assistants, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Franklin School—Catherine H. Murphy, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Hancock School—Elizabeth A. Flynn, assistant; Lucy L. Sandberg, interpreter, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Lincoln School—Mary E. Bowman, Eva H. Simmons, James F. Tyrrell, assistants, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Lyman School—Mary M. Glennon, Alice L. Kelly, Marion E. Killion, Florence R. LeBlanc, assistants, from Oct. 21, 1908; Mary E. Porter, assistant, from Oct. 26, 1908.

Phillips Brooks School—Agnes M. Schayer, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Quincy School—Thomas J. Flinn, assistant, from Oct. 23, 1908; Cecilia H. O'Brien, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908; Emilio Goggio, interpreter, from Oct. 20, 1908.

Washington Allston School—Ava B. Dawson, Anna M. Muldoon, assistants; Christos B. Tsagris, interpreter, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Wells School—Annie L. Donovan, Florence Herbsman, assistants; Anna Monossowitch, interpreter, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Dudley District—Adah F. Whitney, assistant, to the same position in the Bunker Hill District, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Horace Mann School—Desire E. Nickels, assistant, on probation, to the same position in the Lewis District, on probation, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—Hetty B. Schrifteigisser, assistant, kindergarten, on probation, to the same position, on probation, in the Hancock District, from Oct. 20, 1908.

Lyman Evening School—Catherine J. Sullivan, assistant, to the same position in the Lincoln Evening School, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Placed on file.

Subsequently, the Superintendent reported the following transfer:—

Wells District—Helen M. Mead, assistant, to the same position in the Jefferson District, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUNDS.

Season of 1908.

First Assistant—Helen G. Dolan, from Oct. 9, 1908.

Approved.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Adams District—(Plummer No. 1 Kindergarten), Esther Nyberg, from Oct. 5, 1908.

Bowdoin District—(Sharp No. 2 Kindergarten), Matilda Block, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Chapman District—(Tappan No. 1 Kindergarten), Estelle E. Wallace; (Tappan No. 2 Kindergarten), Alice F. Hughes; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Dillaway District—(Abby W. May Kindergarten), Jessie F. McLean; (Kenilworth-street Kindergarten), Mary E. Brazil; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Francis Parkman District—(Francis Parkman Kindergarten), Leslie N. Somes, from Sept. 9 to 25, 1908, inclusive; Mary J. Allan, from Sept. 28, 1908.

Hyde District—(Hyde Kindergarten), Emma S. Harris, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Lawrence District—(Parkman Kindergarten), Florence Nuttall; (Samuel G. Howe Kindergarten), Annie C. Adams; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Lyman District—(Cudworth Kindergarten), Mary L. Moran; (James Otis Kindergarten), Dora Standel; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—(Benjamin Pope Kindergarten), Mary A. Collins, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Washington Allston District—(Frederick A. Whitney Kindergarten), Rose Hanratty, from Sept. 9, 1908.

William E. Russell District—(Roger Clay Kindergarten), Vera Briggs, from Oct. 12, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Roxbury High School—Alice C. Riordan, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, Oct. 7, 1908, one day.

Adams District—Elizabeth J. Murphy, assistant, Oct. 8, 1908, one-half day.

Bennett District—Margaret I. Scollans, first assistant in charge, Oct. 15, 1908, one day.

Bigelow District—Alice E. Thornton, assistant, Sept. 21 and 22, 1908, two days.

Brimmer District—Elizabeth G. Cahill, assistant, from Sept. 29, until Oct. 2, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Dearborn District—Mary T. Hale, first assistant kindergarten, from Oct. 5, 1908, until Jan. 5, 1909.

Dillaway District—Elizabeth M. Blackburn, master's assistant, from Sept. 28, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Dudley District—Alice L. Williams, first assistant in charge, from Sept. 28 until Dec. 28, 1908; Ingenisca G. Weyssse, assistant, from Oct. 12 to 15, 1908, three days.

Dwight District—Miriam Stern, first assistant in charge; Sarah Mock, assistant, Oct. 5, one day.

Eliot District—Paul V. Donovan, sub-master, Oct. 7, 1908, one-half day; Mary L. Sullivan, assistant, Oct. 7, 1908, one day.

Hancock District—Anna E. Neal, assistant, Oct. 15, 1908, one-half day.

Harvard District—Philo G. Noon, sub-master, from Oct. 2 to 9, 1908, inclusive, six days; Sarah R. Dodge, assistant, from Oct. 12 until Dec. 1, 1908.

Horace Mann School—Sarah Fuller, principal, from Oct. 1 to 9, 1908, inclusive, seven days.

Hyde District—Celia Bamber, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day; Mary W. Currier, assistant, Oct. 14, 1908, one day; Mary A. Higgins, assistant, Oct. 13, 1908, one-half day.

Lincoln District—Daisy E. Welch, assistant, Sept. 29, 1908, one-half day.

Mather District—Mary R. Stapleton, assistant, Oct. 6, 1908, one day.

Minot District—Mary E. Palmer, master's assistant, from Oct. 5 to 14, 1908, seven days; Lillian A. Simmons, assistant, from Sept. 21 until Nov. 1, 1908.

Norcross District—Mary E. Downing, assistant, Sept. 22, 1908, one-half day.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Jennie G. J. Cox, assistant, Oct. 7, 1908, one-half day.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Ella G. Jenkins, assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 21 and 22, 1908, two days.

Phillips District—Mary R. Kennedy, assistant, Oct. 14, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips Brooks District—Mary A. Daly, first assistant, kindergarten, Sept. 28, 1908, one day.

Robert G. Shaw District—F. Mabel Cassidy, assistant, from Oct. 12, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909; Martha B. Johnson, assistant, Oct. 14, 1908, one day.

Shurtleff District—Mary E. Morse, assistant, from Oct. 5 to 9, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Thomas Gardner District—Charles F. Merrick, master, Oct. 6, 1908, one day.

Thomas N. Hart District—Alice M. Desmond, assistant, Oct. 1, 1908, one day.

Warren District—Mary T. Laughlin, assistant, Oct. 6, 1908, one day.

Washington District—Frances Burnce, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day; Mary E. Durgin, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one-half day; Eleanor B. Jamison, assistant, Oct. 9, 1908, one day; Elizabeth M. Keefe, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one-half day; Minnie D. Penzanski, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day.

Washington Allston District—Eleanor L. Sullivan, assistant, from Sept. 9, until Oct. 2, 1908.

Wells District—Lillian C. Burbank, assistant, from Oct. 6 to 9, 1908, inclusive, four days.

William E. Russell District—Sarah T. Driscoll, assistant, Oct. 7, 1908, one day.

Winthrop District—Helen L. Hilton, master's assistant, from Oct. 5 until Nov. 2, 1908.

Manual Training—James C. Clarke, instructor, Oct. 14, 1908, one day.

Assistant Nurse—Mary A. Didham, Oct. 7, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without loss of pay was granted Walter Sargent, director of drawing and manual training, from Oct. 5 to 9, 1908, inclusive, five days.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of seventy-three minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of four to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

ACTING MASTER'S ASSISTANTS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 19, 1908, stating that he had designated the following named teachers to fill the positions specified temporarily:—

Minot District—Mabel A. Jepson, assistant, to act as master's assistant to fill a vacancy, from Oct. 5 to 14, 1908, inclusive.

Winthrop District—Winifred E. McKay, assistant, to act as master's assistant to fill a vacancy from Oct. 5, 1908, until the position is otherwise filled in accordance with the rules and regulations.

Placed on file.

TEMPORARY CLERICAL ASSISTANT, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 19, 1908, stating that, subject to the approval of the Board, he had appointed Sadie H. Roberts as a temporary clerical assistant in the Mechanic Arts High School, to date from Oct. 19, 1908, her salary to be at the rate of \$600 per annum.

Approved.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the salary of Sadie H. Roberts, temporary clerical assistant in the Mechanic Arts High School, be fixed at the rate of \$600 per annum, to date from Oct. 19, 1908.

EXPENDITURE FOR ADVERTISING, EVENING INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the expenditure of a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars (\$25) by the principal of the Evening Industrial School, for printing and distributing advertising matter for the term of 1908-09, is hereby authorized.

BRANCH OF COMINS EVENING SCHOOL IN FARRAGUT SCHOOL- HOUSE.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That for the term of 1908-09, a branch of the Comins Evening School be established in the Farragut School-house.

RECORDS OF GRADUATES OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 19, 1908, recommending that records be kept at the several schools, with the co-operation of principals and teachers, and associations of graduates and other organ-

izations interested in educational activities, of the life and occupations of the various graduates.

Laid on the table.

ELECTRIC SWITCHES, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A report was received from the Business Agent, under date of Oct. 13, 1908, relative to the communication received from the Schoolhouse Commission at the meeting of Oct. 8, concerning a proposed change in the existing arrangement of switches in the basement of the English High School, stating that there are ten lamps in the corridors of the basement of said school and fifty-eight in the locker rooms, that all the lamps are turned on from one switch, that the fifty-eight lamps in the locker rooms consume current approximately to the amount of \$37 per school year, and that this sum represents about 50 p.c. of the cost of the proposed change, viz.: \$116.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis it was

ORDERED, That a copy of the foregoing communication be transmitted to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, and that said Commission be requested to comply with the order relating to this subject passed by the Board at its meeting of Sept. 21.

REMOVAL OF ASHES FROM SCHOOL- HOUSES.

A report was received from the Business Agent, under date of Oct. 13, 1908, relative to the communication received from Guy C. Emerson, Superintendent of Streets, at the meeting of Oct. 8, concerning the removal of ashes from school-houses, stating that in all school buildings where facilities for the removal of ashes are reasonably good, ash barrels are furnished by the School Committee, filled by the janitors, and placed in the yards or on the sidewalks, and then removed by the Sanitary Division of the Street Department. In other buildings from which ashes are not so readily removed, the work is done under contract.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the receipt of the communication from the Superintendent of Streets referred to above, and to state that the same is being given consideration.

SAND FOR SCHOOL YARDS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be directed to investigate and report as to the expense of furnishing sand to be used for sprinkling school yards when in icy condition.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANTS, OFFICE OF BUSINESS AGENT.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Oct. 17, 1908, stating that, subject to the approval of the Board and in accordance with the order passed at the meeting of Sept. 21, he had appointed as temporary assistants in his office, Eva A. Duplessis, from Oct. 12, 1908, and Annie R. Maxwell, from Oct. 15, 1908.

Placed on file, and the appointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ORDERED, That the compensation of Eva A. Duplessis and Annie R. Maxwell, temporary assistants in the office of the Business Agent, is hereby fixed at the rate of two dollars (\$2.00) per day each.

CONSUMPTION AND DELIVERY OF COAL IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Schoolhouse Custodian and laid on the table at the meeting of Sept. 21, relative to the bin capacity, annual consumption and method of delivering coal in the various school buildings, was taken from the table, and referred to the Business Agent for a further and complete report on the subject.

DEATH OF JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 17, 1908, reporting the death of James Shute, janitor of the Mead-street School-house, which occurred on Oct. 16, 1908.

Placed on file.

JANITORSHIP, MINOT AND PORTABLE NO. 44 SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 17, 1908, submitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Minot and Portable No. 44 School-houses, and recommending the transfer of John Walsh, janitor of the Bailey-street and Portable School-houses, who stands first on the list, to the position, to date from Oct. 15, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of John Walsh to said position approved from the date stated.

APPOINTMENTS OF JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 19, 1908, submitting the following recommendations for the appointment of janitors, in each case the janitor being in charge of the main building to which these are apurtenant:—

Andrews Portable School-house No. 90—George F. Chessman, from Oct. 1, 1908.

30 Church-street School—Patrick H. Brennan, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Little Em'ly School-house—James A. Hanlon, from Oct. 12, 1908.

Phillips-street Portable School-house No 11—Thomas F. Whalen, from Oct. 16, 1908.

Sherwin Portable School-house No. 4—Frederick V. Howe, from Oct. 16, 1908.

Ward Room, Meeting House Hill—Patrick H. Brennan, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis the appointments as aforesaid approved.

SALARY OF JANITOR, 148 COLUMBUS-AVENUE SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of the janitor of the 148 Columbus-avenue School be established at the rate of one hundred twenty dollars (\$120) per annum, to date from Oct. 7, 1908.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF, AND AMOUNTS DUE, ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 19, 1908, submitting a list of temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors, for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Bailey-street and Portable School-houses—Thomas Landrigan, appointed from Oct. 15, 1908.

Brewster, Brewster Annex and Portable School-houses—John Powers, reappointed from Oct. 14, 1908; amount due from Oct. 6 to 14, 1908, inclusive, \$21.30.

Cook School-house—Edward J. Powers reappointed from Oct. 12, 1908; amount due from Oct. 6 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$12.

Lewis and Lewis Annex School-houses—Patrick F. Powers, reappointed from Oct. 14, 1908; amount due from Oct. 6 to 14, 1908, inclusive, \$29.70.

Mead-street School-house—Thomas Brennan, appointed from Oct. 18, 1908.

Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100, rear of 64 Joy street—Dennis J. Lenehan, reappointed from Oct. 13, 1908; amount due from Oct. 3 to 12, 1908, inclusive, \$13.33.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

The Secretary was directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for candidates eligible to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100, in the rear of 64 Joy street.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

Dennis J. Lenehan, Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100, from Oct. 3 to 12, 1908, inclusive, thirteen and 33-100 dollars (\$13.33).

Edward J. Powers, Cook School-house, from Oct. 6 to 15, 1908, inclusive, thirteen dollars (\$13.00).

John Powers, Brewster, Brewster Annex and Portable School-houses, from Oct. 6 to 14, 1908, inclusive, twenty-one and 30-100 dollars (\$21.30).

Patrick F. Powers, Lewis and Lewis Annex School-houses, from Oct. 6 to 14, 1908, inclusive, twenty-nine and 70-100 dollars (\$29.70)

JANITORSHIP, COOK SCHOOL-HOUSE

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian, received and laid on the table at the meeting of June 24, 1908, relative to the janitorship of the Cook School-house, and recommending the appointment of Edward J. Powers to the position, to date from June 25, 1908, was taken from the table, and placed on file.

On motion of the same member, the appointment of Edward J. Powers as janitor of the Cook School-house, from Oct. 16, 1908, was approved.

PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

A communication was received from the Director of School Hygiene, under date of Oct. 12, 1908, with regard to carrying into effect the provisions of Chap. 181 of the Acts of 1908, relative to the giving of special instruction as to tuberculosis and its prevention, stating that the State Board of Education has prepared a pamphlet entitled "Tuberculosis and Its Prevention, Suggestions to Teachers," which seems to him to embody all that is necessary to present to teachers at this time, and suggesting that said Board be requested to furnish 3,000 copies of this pamphlet for distribution among teachers in the public schools.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the Secretary was directed to apply to the State Board of Education for copies of the aforesaid pamphlet for distribution accordingly.

SCHOOL OF OUTDOOR LIFE FOR TUBERCULOUS CHILDREN.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the order passed at the meeting of Sept. 21, 1908 (see minutes, page 136), whereby the Superintendent was authorized to appoint a temporary teacher in the Jefferson District to give instruction to children in the camp conducted by the Boston Association for

the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis, was amended by striking out the word "temporary" in the second line of said order.

RIFLE SHOOTING TOURNAMENT FOR SCHOOL BOYS.

A communication was received from Lieut. Albert S. Jones, Secretary of the National Rifle Association of America, under date of Oct. 7, 1908, stating that arrangements have been made with the New England Forest, Fish and Game Society to hold a rifle shooting tournament in connection with their sportsman show which will be held in Boston from Dec. 24, 1908, until Jan. 5, 1909, and requesting the cooperation of the School Committee.

Referred to the Director of School Hygiene for consideration and report.

PLAYGROUNDS.

A communication was received from the Director of School Hygiene, under date of Oct. 15, 1908, relative to the general subject of playgrounds, and recommending a plan to be entered into with the Park Commission for the conduct thereof.

The foregoing plan was approved, the Director of School Hygiene directed to confer with the Park Commission on the subject, and the communication was placed on file.

USE OF INTOXICATING LIQUORS BY JANITORS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the preamble and order offered by him at the meeting of Oct. 5 (see minutes pp. 147, 148), relative to

the use of intoxicating liquors by janitors, were taken from the table, and placed on file.

Dr. Scannell thereupon offered the following preamble and order:—

WHEREAS, in the opinion of this Board the physical safety and best interests of the pupils attending the public schools would be served by the establishment of a rule governing the use of intoxicating drinks on the part of janitors and engineers, it is hereby

ORDERED, That rule 3 of the Rules for Janitors, Engineers and Matrons of the Public Schools is hereby amended by inserting the following as paragraph 3 of said rule:—

The use of intoxicants or being under the influence of intoxicants while on duty or on school premises, or their habitual use, or the frequenting of places where they are sold, is prohibited, and is sufficient cause for dismissal.

The order passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 11:51 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Nov. 2, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:46 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: Messrs Brock, Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of Oct. 19.

The appointments were approved.

AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board took up the following proposed amendments to the regulations, recommended by the Business Agent and laid over at the meeting of Oct. 5:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 344, par. 3. Strike out the paragraph.

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 345. Add the following paragraph:—

2. Teachers absent from duty without pay for a continuous period of three months or more, shall have the dates of their anniversaries arbitrarily advanced by the amount of such absence.

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 349, par. 2. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

2. Teachers appointed to begin service on probation prior to September 1, 1906, shall be exempt from the provisions of section 345, paragraph 1, and sections 346, 347, 348 and 349.

On motion of the same member, the order adding paragraph 2 to section 345 was amended to read as follows:—

2. Teachers absent from duty on leave, without pay, for a continuous period of three months or more, shall have the dates of their anniversaries advanced by the amount of such absence.

The orders as amended collectively passed.

REMOVAL OF ASHES FROM SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Subsequently, a communication was received from the Superintendent of Streets, under date of Oct. 19, 1908, referring to his previous communication received at the meeting of Oct. 8, relating to the removal of ashes from school-houses.

Placed on file.

AUTHORIZING FIRE DRILLS BY SCHOOLHOUSE COMMISSION.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Oct. 22, 1908, stating that in pur-

suance of the authority given by the School Committee at its meeting of Oct. 19, permission had been given B. B. Hatch of that department to order fire drills in the public schools, and that no other member of the Schoolhouse Department except the Commissioners themselves would be given such permission.

Placed on file.

ELECTRIC SWITCHES, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Oct. 22, 1908, stating that instructions had been given to have the changes in the arrangement of switches in the English High School-house made in accordance with the order passed by the School Board on Sept. 21.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, BLACKINTON DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Oct. 22, 1908, stating that temporary school accommodations have been hired in the vestry of the Baker Congregational Church for the pupils of the Blackinton District, at a rental of \$50 per month, including heating, toilet accommodations, and janitor service.

Placed on file.

RETIREMENT.

The following retirement of a teacher, because of marriage, to date from Sept. 11, 1908, was reported by the Superintendent:—

Warren District—M. Alice O'Connell, assistant, kindergarten.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Charles Sumner District—Emily E. Willett, assistant, kindergarten, Oct. 5, 1908.

Mather District—Ada Cushing, assistant, kindergarten, Oct. 20, 1908.

Sherwin District—Beulah S. Cone, assistant, kindergarten, Oct. 20, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Blackinton District—Hazel N. Boice, from Oct. 19 until Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive.

Bunker Hill District—Catherine A. Hogan, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Christopher Gibson District—Bertha I. Berger, kindergarten, from Nov. 2 to 16, 1908, inclusive.

Comins District—Katherine E. Hurley (class of 1908), from Oct. 19 until Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive; Claire F. Sullivan, from Nov. 3 to 16, 1908, inclusive; Lillian A. Smith, kindergarten, from Oct. 8, 1908.

Dearborn District—Alma Boodro, from Sept. 9, 1908, one day.

Dudley District—Alice M. Duston, from Oct. 15 to Nov. 2, 1908, inclusive.

Lincoln District—Gertrude A. Sullivan, from Oct. 16, 1908.

Lyman District—Harriet L. Dahl, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Rose M. Driscoll, from Nov. 3 to 16, 1908, inclusive.

Quincy District—Mary E. Keenan, from Oct. 6, 1908.

Rice District—Anna M. Doherty, kindergarten, from Nov. 2, 1908.

Roger Wolcott District—Mary L. Walsh, kindergarten, from Nov. 2, 1908.

Warren District—Ella M. Dolben, kindergarten, Oct. 5, 1908, one day; Celia T. Tischler, kindergarten, from Oct. 12 to 16, 1908, inclusive, five days.

Washington Allston District—Mary A. J. Brady, from Nov. 2, 1908.

Wells District—Helen T. O'Reilly, kindergarten, from Nov. 2 to 16, 1908, inclusive.

Winthrop District—Theresa M. Stack, from Nov. 2, 1908.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Bowditch District—Adelaide G. Nelson, assistant (special order), from Oct. 26, 1908.

Washington Allston District—Edna Long, assistant, from Nov. 2, 1908.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Girls' Latin School—Grace T. Pratt, assistant, from Nov. 23, 1908.

Francis Parkman District—Frances M. Bell, assistant, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Deborah F. Barry, assistant, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Hyde District—Adalena H. Dudley, assistant, from Nov. 16, 1908.

John A. Andrew District—Katherine G. O'Brien, assistant, from Nov. 23, 1908.

Mather District—Anna M. Meyer, Mary A. Starkey, assistants, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Prescott District—Elizabeth V. Doherty, assistant, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Winthrop District—Frances C. Lamb, assistant, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Cookery—Margaret M. Downing, teacher, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Public Latin School—George F. Burt, assistant instructor, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Adams District—Mary H. Healey, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Bennett District—Margaret A. Sullivan (special order), Rena I. Black, assistants, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Bunker Hill District—Grace A. Tully, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Christopher Gibson District—Elizabeth A. Hickey, assistant, kindergarten, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Comins District—Claire F. Sullivan, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Franklin District—Helen E. MacFarlane, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Lyman District—Helena McGinnis, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Frances M. Bell, Rose M. Driscoll, assistants, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Phillips District—Winifred L. Kinsley, assistant, fourth year; Effie L. Evans, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Shurtleff District—Alice M. Riley, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Thomas Gardner District—Eva M. Neth, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Warren District—Helen T. Carmody, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Washington District—Matilda J. Graumann, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Wells District—Helen T. O'Reilly, assistant, kindergarten, from Nov. 17, 1908.

William E. Russell District—Grace M. Cavanagh, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Charlestown High School—Abby M. Thompson, first assistant, head of the department of English, from Dec. 1, 1908; Margaret T. Wise, first assistant, head of

the department of modern languages, from Dec. 1, 1908.

Bowdoin District—Sarah E. Brown, first assistant in charge, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—Josephine Hammond, first assistant head of the department of English.

Roxbury High School—Mary F. Gould, assistant.

West Roxbury High School—M. Alice Jackson, assistant.

Agassiz District—Arthur E. Baker, submaster; Mabel A. Campbell, assistant.

Bigelow District—Louise C. Keyes, assistant.

Charles Sumner District—Pauline F. Smith, assistant, kindergarten.

Comins District—Mary G. L. Quinlan, assistant.

Franklin District—Teresa A. Tehan, assistant.

Gaston District—Alice L. Williams, assistant.

Gilbert Stuart District—John C. Riley, assistant.

Henry L. Pierce District—Frances L. Eager, Alice G. Haggerty, assistants.

Hyde District—Edith M. Snow, assistant.

Lewis District—Miriam J. Bronski, Edward J. Muldoon, assistants.

Lincoln District—Frances W. Dalrymple, Mary J. Grady, assistants.

Lyman District—Frances E. Donovan, Mildred R. Kimball, Agnes M. Mahoney, assistants.

Mary Hemenway District—Ellen L. Roche, assistant.

Phillips Brooks District—Eleanor P. Cox, Levinia M. MacLean, assistants.

Robert G. Shaw District—Rita G. Baker, assistant.

Roger Wolcott District—Florence M. Murphy, Florence J. Preston, assistants.

Shurtleff District—Annie E. Flood, assistant.

Thomas Gardner District—Bertha E. Davis, Edna C. Farrington, assistants.

Warren District—Caroline E. Morse, first assistant in charge.

Wells District—Hazel P. Gore, assistant.

Cookery—Clara J. O'Brien, Helen A. Parker, teachers.

Sewing—Kate Farlin, Katharine E. Flanagan, Annie L. Killion, Margaret G. Moore, teachers.

Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1908-09.

East Boston High School—Hyman Morison, assistant, from Oct. 26, 1908.

South Boston High School—Will A. Charles, Hubert G. Fisher, William A. Hoyt, Michael A. Sullivan, assistants, from Oct. 19, 1908; David H. Fulton, Raymond G. Laird, Angus M. Swanburg, assistants, from Oct. 21, 1908; Thomas J. Barry, assistant, from Oct. 23, 1908; Anita P. McDonough, typewriting assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Bigelow School—John A. O'Keefe, Jr., assistant, from Oct. 21, 1908.

Bowdoin School—Kathryn E. G. Barry, assistant, from Oct. 29, 1908; Mary F. Lynch, assistant, from Oct. 27, 1908.

Comins School—Gertrude P. Stephan, assistant, from Oct. 21, 1908; Helen L. Irons, assistant, from Oct. 22, 1908; Mary M. Fitzgerald, assistant, from Oct. 23, 1908; Mary Maher, assistant, from Oct. 23, 1908; Ellen M. McCormack, assistant, from Oct. 22, 1908; George N. Herzel, interpreter, from Oct. 23, 1908.

Elliot School—Joel W. Reynolds, first assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908; Mary E. Mullen, assistant, from Oct. 21, 1908; Margaret F. Cummings, Helena R. Guiney, Marion F. Kiely, assistants, from Oct. 22, 1908; Isaac C. Arkin, interpreter, from Oct. 26, 1908.

Franklin School—Harry S. Bernstein, assistant, from Oct. 27, 1908; Eva K. Boyce, Emma B. Huse, assistants, from Oct. 19, 1908; Eunice F. Bancroft, assistant, from Oct. 26, 1908; Rose G. Cooper, assistant, from Oct. 21, 1908; Harry Fein, Lucy Romberg, interpreters, from Oct. 21, 1908; Samuel B. Finkel, interpreter, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Hancock School—Margaret J. McNulty, assistant, from Oct. 22, 1908.

Lincoln School—Mary L. Carey, Katherine E. Hurley, (class of 1908), Gladys L. Kelly, Catharine L. Levins, Bessie M. Manary, Katherine F. Sullivan, Mary H. Shed, assistants, from Oct. 22, 1908.

Phillips Brooks School—Mary A. J. Brady, assistant, from Oct. 19 until Nov. 6, 1908, inclusive; Alice T. McNamara, assistant, from Oct. 21, 1908; Mary L. Barry, assistant, from Nov. 2, 1908.

Industrial School—John L. Frisbee, assistant, third year, from Oct. 26, 1908; Felix A. Gendrot, assistant, third year, Philip Goodrich, assistant, first year, from Oct. 19, 1908; Charles H. B. Morse, assistant, first year, from Oct. 23, 1908.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Wells District—Clara B. Cochran, assistant, kindergarten, to the same position in the Lyman District, from Nov. 1, 1908.

Comins Evening School—Gladys G. Davie, assistant, to the same position in the Lincoln Evening School, from Oct. 22, 1908.

Placed on file.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Bowdoin District—(Sharp No. 2 Kindergarten), Esther Michaels, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 16, 1908, inclusive.

Dwight District—(Joshua Bates Kindergarten), Pauline E. Taylor, from Sept. 9, 1908; (Rutland-street Kindergarten), Marion Morrison, from Oct. 26, 1908.

Harvard District—(Common-street Kindergarten), Ellen E. Fox; (Harvard Hill Kindergarten), Nora L. Downey; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Lincoln District—(Choate Burnham Kindergarten), Alice L. Lynch, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Lowell District—(Lucretia Crocker Kindergarten), Louisa Janssen, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Lyman District—(Old East Boston High Kindergarten), Mary B. Lane, from Sept. 9, 1908.

Shurtleff District—(Bird Kindergarten), Lucy F. Thurston; (Clinch Kindergarten), Gertrude Craigen; from Sept. 9, 1908.

Thomas N. Hart District—(Benjamin Dean Kindergarten), Marie B. Crowley, from Sept. 21, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Public Latin School—Byron Groce, master, from Oct. 1, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Brighton High School—Elvira B. Smith, assistant, from Oct. 12, 1908, until Feb. 12, 1909.

High School of Commerce—Adolph C. Ely, junior-master, Oct. 30, 1908, one-half day.

Roxbury High School—Mabel L. Warner, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908, until Feb. 19, 1909.

Adams District—May H. Sears, assistant, Oct. 26 and 27, 1908, one and one-half days.

Bennett District—Rose S. Havey, assistant, Oct. 21, 1908, one day.

Bigelow District—Angeline S. Morse, assistant, Oct. 5 to 16, 1908, ten days.

Brimmer District—Grace W. Mitchell, assistant, Oct. 8, 1908, one day; Mary E. Tierney, assistant, Oct. 6, 1908, one day.

Bunker Hill District—Annie B. Hunter, assistant, Oct. 7, 8 and 9, 1908, three days.

Chapman District—Jessie C. Skinner, assistant, Oct. 12 to 20, 1908, inclusive, seven days.

Christopher Gibson District—Katharine T. Lyons, assistant, Oct. 28, 1908, one day.

Dearborn District—Lucy Hamlin, assistant, Oct. 19, 20 and 21, 1908, three days.

Eliot District—B. Louise Hagerty, first assistant, primary school, Oct. 28, 1908, one-half day; Theresa Currie, assistant, Oct. 19, 1908, one-half day; Mary E. Hughes, assistant, Oct. 26, 1908, one day; Katherine G. O'Donnell, assistant, Oct. 16, 1908, one day.

Everett District—Florence A. Perry, assistant, from Sept. 21 until Oct. 19, 1908.

Franklin District—Anna Sansiper, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day; Ruth D. Stevens, assistant, Oct. 28, 1908, one day; Lillian Tishler, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day.

Frothingham District—Frances L. Nickerson, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day.

Gaston District—Sarah C. Winn, first assistant, grammar school, Oct. 7 and 8, 1908, two days.

George Putnam District—Louisa Prescott, assistant, Oct. 14, 1908, one-half day.

Hancock District—Teresa M. Gargan, first assistant in charge, Oct. 12 to 16, 1908, inclusive, five days; Mary J. Murray, assistant, Oct. 28, 1908, one day.

Henry L. Pierce District—Lillian S. Bourne, assistant, Oct. 26, 1908, one-half day.

Hyde District—Elvira T. Harvey, assistant, Oct. 29, 1908, one-half day.

Lewis District—Miriam J. Bronski, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day; Madeline B. Driscoll, assistant, Oct. 14, 1908, one day; Mary L. Murphy, assistant, Oct. 22, 1908, one-half day; Elizabeth B. Richardson, assistant, Oct. 13, 1908, one-half day; Rachel Rosnosky, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day.

Lincoln District—Vodisa J. Comey, assistant, from Sept. 21 until Oct. 14, 1908; Helen A. Emery, assistant, Oct. 22, 1908, one-half day; E. Cecilia Mackin, assistant, Oct. 21, 1908, one day.

Longfellow District—Emma Burrows, assistant, Oct. 7, 1908, one-half day.

Mary Hemenway District—Ellen J. McTernan, assistant, Oct. 27, 1908, one day.

Norcross District—Kate E. Fitzgerald, assistant, Oct. 27, 1908, one-half day; Josephine J. Mahoney, assistant, Oct. 23, 1908, one-half day.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Louise A. Pieper, master's assistant, Oct. 21, 1908, one day; Julia G. Leary, assistant, Oct. 21, 1908, one day.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Clara C. Howland, assistant, Sept. 30, 1908, one day.

Phillips District—Cyrus B. Collins, sub-master, Oct. 21, 1908, one-half day; Katharine A. Burns, first assistant in charge, Oct. 26, 1908, one day; Mary E. Doyle, assistant, Oct. 20, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips Brooks District—Dora E. McCarty, assistant, Oct. 26, 1908, one day; Gertrude Stahl, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day.

Prescott District—Mary E. Keyes, master's assistant, Oct. 9, 1908, one day; Elizabeth J. Doherty, assistant, Oct. 12 to 21, 1908, seven days, and Oct. 28, 1908, one day; Agnes M. Turnbull, assistant, Oct. 28, 1908, one day; Margaret M. Whalen, assistant, Oct. 14, 1908, one day.

Prince District—Annie A. Horton, assistant, Oct. 20, 1908, one day.

Quincy District—Mary Burkhardt, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day; Ellen L. Collins, assistant, Oct. 13, 1908, one day.

Rice District—Mary E. Mailman, master's assistant, Oct. 23, 1908, one-half day.

Shurtleff District—Ella G. Fitzgerald, assistant, Oct. 27, 1908, one day.

Warren District—Carrie F. Gammell, assistant, Oct. 19, 1908, one-half day; Cora A. Wiley, assistant, Oct. 19, 1908, one-half day.

Washington District—Idabel F. Butler, assistant, Oct. 26, 1908, one-half day; Myra

K. Parker, assistant, Oct. 26, 1908, one-half day.

Wells District—Mary F. Gargan, first assistant in charge, from Oct. 6, 1908, until Jan. 6, 1909.

William E. Russell District—Sarah E. McMahan, assistant, Oct. 12, 1908, one-half day.

Winthrop District—Helen L. Hilton, master's assistant, from Nov. 2, 1908, until Jan. 2, 1909.

Cookery—Mary C. Mitchell, teacher, Oct. 14, 1908, one-half day.

Manual Training—Celia B. Hallstrom, instructor, Oct. 19, 1908, one-half day.

Assistant Nurse—Josephine Ellis, Oct. 27 and 28, 1908, two days.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study and travel, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted the following-named teacher, for the term specified:—

Bennett District—Helen L. Arnold, first assistant, kindergarten, from Jan. 5 until Sept. 1, 1909.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without pay was granted the following-named teacher for the term specified:—

Sherwin District—Isabel M. Brown, assistant, from Nov. 1 to 8, 1908, inclusive.

ACTING PRINCIPALS AND TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, reporting that he had designated the following-named teachers to fill the positions specified until they are otherwise filled in accordance with the rules and regulations: Girls' High School of Practical Arts—W. Hollis Godfrey, master, to act as headmaster, from Nov. 2, 1908.

Bowditch District—Alice Greene, assistant, to act as first assistant in charge, from Oct. 15, 1908.

Bowdoin District—Sarah E. Brown, assistant, to act as first assistant in charge, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Dillaway District—Helen C. Mills, first assistant, grammar, to act as master's assistant, from Oct. 1, 1908.

Washington Allston District—Lou's P. Nash, sub-master, to act as master, from Nov. 2, 1908.

Wells District—Alice M. Hagerty, assistant, to act as first assistant in charge, from Oct. 6, 1908.

Placed on file.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of forty-nine minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of three to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of a minor to sell newspapers, for violation of the conditions upon which said license was granted.

Approved.

EMPLOYMENT OF LAURA S. PLUMMER IN BOSTON NORMAL SCHOOL OF GYMNASTICS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, stating that he had received a request from Amy M. Homans, Director of the Boston Normal School of Gymnastics, that Laura S. Plummer, an assistant in the Normal School, be allowed to give instruction in the Boston Normal School of Gymnastics from 2:30 to 3:30 o'clock P.M., on such days as may be necessary in order to accommo-

date properly the pupils of the Girls' High School now receiving instruction in said school at said hour, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That Laura S. Plummer, an assistant in the Boston Normal School, is hereby allowed to give instruction in the Boston Normal School of Gymnastics from 2:30 to 3:30 o'clock P.M., on such days as may be necessary in order to accommodate properly the pupils of the Girls' High School now receiving instruction in the Boston Normal School of Gymnastics during that hour of the afternoon.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

EMPLOYMENT OF MARY O'CONNELL, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the employment in the West Roxbury High School, beginning Oct. 26, 1908, of Mary O'Connell, an assistant in the Bowditch District, for such portion of the school year 1908-1909 as the Superintendent may deem expedient, is hereby authorized, Miss O'Connell to be paid at the same rate as if she were teaching as an assistant in an elementary school.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That while Mary O'Connell, because of her service in the West Roxbury High School, is absent from her regular position in the Bowditch District, her place in that district may be filled by a temporary teacher.

BEQUEST OF MRS. ELIZA B. MILLS TO SEAUV FUND.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, stating that Mrs. Eliza B. Mills, of Sharon, has left by will the sum of \$1000 as follows: "I give to the Seavy Fund, or by whatever name it is known, a fund for helping pupils in the Boston Normal School, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000) in money." The executor, Charles T. Gallagher, has informed him that Mrs. Mills was an annual contributor to the Seavy Fund, and that it was plainly her intention to have the money used by the Girls' High School, and he wishes to make sure that the School Committee as custodian of the Eastburn School Fund of the Normal School will make no objection to the payment of the money to the Seavy Fund for the Girls' High School. The Superintendent recommends that the executors be informed that the School Committee will offer no objection to such payment.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the Secretary was directed to notify the executors of the will of Mrs. Eliza B. Mills that this Board will offer no objection to the payment to the Seavy Fund of said bequest.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NUMBER OF PUPILS IN PUBLIC DAY SCHOOLS AND THEIR HOUSING.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, containing a statement of the number of pupils in the public day schools as of Sept. 30, 1908, showing the increase or decrease in the number of pupils in each school or district as compared with the previous year, and of the housing of said pupils.

Placed on file.

OPEN-AIR CLASSES.

Dr. James J. Minot, President of the Boston Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis, appeared and was

heard with regard to the establishment of open-air classes.

Subsequently, on motion of Dr. Scannell, it was

ORDERED, That the Park Commission be and hereby is requested to allow the use of the unoccupied part of the refectory building in Franklin Park for open-air classes to be conducted by this Board.

Dr. Scannell also offered the following preamble and order:—

WHEREAS, It seems desirable that the subject of tuberculosis and the more or less allied subject of malnutrition among the children attending the public schools be investigated with a view to safeguarding the health of the children and checking the progress of disease, it is hereby

ORDERED, That Dr. James J. Minot, Dr. Joseph H. Pratt, Dr. Edwin A. Locke, Dr. Elliott P. Joslin, and Dr. Thomas F. Leen be requested to serve without compensation as a commission to report to this Board not later than Jan. 1, 1909, if possible, the results of their investigation of this problem in so far as it affects the children of the public schools, and to make such recommendations as the subject warrants.

The order passed.

AMENDMENT TO RULES.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, recommending the adoption of a plan for the issue of certificates of qualification to teachers in the recently established Evening Industrial Schools.

Placed on file.

In pursuance of the recommendation contained in the foregoing communication, the Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Section 138, paragraph XIX. Strike out the first two lines of said paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

XIX. Evening Drawing School, or Evening Industrial School, Principal: To principals of evening drawing schools or of evening industrial schools, and to assistant principals and first assistants in charge of evening industrial schools.

Paragraph XX. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

XX. Evening Drawing School, or Evening Industrial School: To assistants of evening drawing schools or of evening industrial schools.

The requirements for this certificate are: Evidence of one year's successful experience in teaching and governing schools of such grade or grades as the board of superintendents may determine; or evidence of three years' satisfactory experience in the practical pursuit of the subject the candidate is to teach.

Add the following paragraph at the end of said section:—

XXIII. Evening Industrial School: To teachers of industrial subjects in evening industrial schools.

The requirements for this certificate are: Successful experience in a Boston evening industrial school under a license granted by the board of superintendents.

The board of superintendents may issue licenses to teach industrial subjects in evening industrial schools, which licenses shall expire on the thirtieth day of June following the date of issue, and shall not be extended or renewed, to persons who present satisfactory evidence of possessing good character and health, and who, upon investigation, shall be found to have had three years' satisfactory experience in the practical pursuit of the industry the candidate is to teach, or one year's successful experience in teaching such subject to classes.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, recommending the amendment of the regulations to provide for the appointment of an additional assistant in drawing to the director, making five in all, in accordance with the report of that Board presented at the meeting of Dec. 16, 1907.

Laid over.

AWARD FOR SCHOOL EXHIBIT, JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Oct. 22, 1908, reporting that he had received a diploma of a gold medal from the Secretary of the Jury of Awards, Jamestown Tercentennial Exposition of 1907, conferred upon the School Committee of the City of Boston, for exhibit of buildings, environment, course of study, pupils' work, administration and general display.

Placed on file.

JANITORSHIP, PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES NOS. 97, 98, 99 AND 100.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Oct. 27, 1908, stating that, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Oct. 19, 1908, the Civil Service Commission has certified the following-named persons as eligible for appointment to the position of janitor of Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100: Carl I. Priest, Charles E. Fales, William Sennott.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES, COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS.

Communications were received from the Business Agent, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, submitting a statement and supplement showing the appropriations, expenditures and balances for the first ten months of the current financial year, the expenditures for the whole of the last financial year, and the expenditures for the corresponding months of last year with the increases in the several items, also a supplement under the same date showing the increase in salary of high school teachers for the month of October, 1908, over the same month of last year.

Placed on file.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Oct. 31, 1908, submitting a statement showing the original appropriation for supplies and incidentals, the appropriation as amended by the Board of Apportionment on May 21, 1908, and the expenditures and balances to Nov. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS, REVISION OF ITEMS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, recommending that the Board of Apportionment be instructed to prepare and report to the School Committee a list of items which would constitute a suitable subdivision of the appropriation for supplies and incidentals.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Apportionment be instructed to prepare and re-

port to this Board a list of items which would constitute a suitable sub-division of the appropriation for supplies and incidentals.

TUITION OF NON-RESIDENT PUPILS. EVENING INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Oct. 29, 1908, recommending that the Board establish a charge for the tuition of non-resident pupils attending the Evening Industrial Schools.

Placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the tuition of non-resident pupils in the Evening Industrial Schools be fixed at the rate of thirty dollars (\$30) for the school year 1908-09.

JANITORSHIP, PORTABLE SCHOOL- HOUSES NOS. 97, 98, 99 AND 100.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, stating that he had considered the candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission as eligible for appointment to the janitorship of Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100, and recommending the appointment of William Sennott, who stands third on the list, to the position, to date from Nov. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the appointment of William Sennott to said position was approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, BAILEY-ST. SCHOOL- HOUSE AND PORTABLES NOS. 70 AND 84.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, submitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Bailey-street School-house, and Portables Nos. 70 and 84, and recommending the transfer of John A. Downey, janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to date from Nov. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the transfer of John A. Downey to said position was approved, from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, MEAD-STREET SCHOOL- HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, stating that Francis L. O'Connor, janitor of No. 1448 Columbus-avenue School, is the only applicant for transfer to the position of janitor of the Mead-street School-house, and recommending that he be transferred to said position, to date from Nov. 5, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the transfer of Francis L. O'Connor to said position was approved, from the date stated.

The Secretary was directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for candidates eligible to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of No. 1448 Columbus-avenue School.

APPOINTMENT AND PAYMENT OF ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, submitting the following temporary appointment and reappointments of janitors, for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

Bailey-street School-house and Portables Nos. 70 and 84—William Flemming, appointed from Nov. 2, 1908; Thomas Landrigan, reappointed from Oct. 25, 1908; amount due from Oct. 15 to 31, 1908, inclusive, \$34.

Mead-street School-house—Thomas Brennan, reappointed from Oct. 28, 1908; amount due from Oct. 18 to 31, 1908, inclusive, \$14.90.

Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100—Dennis J. Lenehan, reappointed from Oct. 23, 1908, and from Nov. 2, 1908; amount due from Oct. 13 to 31, 1908, inclusive, \$24.52.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Thomas Brennan, Mead-street School-house, from Oct. 18 to 31, 1908, inclusive, fourteen and 90-100 dollars (\$14.90).

To Thomas Landrigan, Bailey-street School-house and Portables Nos. 70 and 84, from Oct. 15 to 31, 1908, inclusive, thirty-four dollars (\$34).

To Dennis J. Lenehan, Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100, from Oct. 13 to 31, 1908, inclusive, twenty-four and 52-100 dollars (\$24.52).

SAND FOR SCHOOL YARDS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Oct. 19, directing him to investigate and report as to the expense of furnishing sand to be used in sprinkling icy school yards, submitting a statement showing the number of loads needed, and also the names of the contractors and the prices paid by the Street Department for sand delivered in the various districts.

Laid on the table.

Subsequently, the foregoing communication was taken from the table, and placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the expenditure of an amount not exceeding three hundred dollars (\$300) is hereby authorized for the purchase of sand to be used by janitors in school yards, in order that children may not be deprived of the use of such yards when in an icy condition.

FLOORING AND ATHLETIC APPARA- TUS, RANDOLPH-STREET PLAY- GROUND.

A communication was received from the Director of School Hygiene, under date of Oct. 30, 1908, relative to the petitions of Robert A. Woods, South End House, that certain improvements be made in the flooring and athletic apparatus of the Randolph-street Playground, stating that he had requested the Park Commission to undertake the same, and recommending that no further action by the Board is necessary.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

RIFLE SHOOTING TOURNAMENT FOR SCHOOL BOYS.

A communication was received from the Director of School Hygiene, under date of Oct. 26, 1908, relative to the rifle shooting tournament for boys, to be held under the auspices of the National Rifle Association of America, referred to him at the meeting of Oct. 19, stating that after consideration of all the circumstances connected with the preparation, expense and practice of such tournament, he believes it would not be expedient for the School Committee to undertake the project, and recommending that action be taken accordingly.

Placed on file, and on motion of Dr. Scannell, the recommendation contained therein adopted.

KEYS OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS TO SCIENCE TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Association of Head-Masters of High and Latin Schools, under date of Oct. 23, 1908, transmitting a statement and request from the Council of Heads of Departments of Science that keys to school buildings be issued to science teachers.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That teachers of science in the high schools be severally allowed to have keys to their respective buildings.

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of November, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Storrow.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION ON SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Finance Commission and laid on the table at the meeting of Aug. 6, 1908 (see p. 117), relative to the organization and work of the Schoolhouse Department, was taken from the table and placed on file.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the doors were opened.

CHARGE FOR ELECTRICITY, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, under date of Oct. 29, 1908, with reference to the payment of charges for electric service for school buildings from June to October, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to reply thereto.

ELECTRIC LAMPS FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board took up the communication received from the Schoolhouse Commission and laid over at the meeting of Sept. 8, 1908 (see p. 123), relative to the School Committee bearing the expense of certain electric lamps in school-houses, and placed the same on file.

On motion of the same member, the Chairman was authorized to transmit a communication to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners on the subject, stating the reasons why, in the opinion of this Board, said Commission should continue to furnish and replace electric lamps for school buildings, and that such lamps are not properly supplies to be furnished by the School Committee.

ENGINES, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Oct. 19, 1908, enclosing a communication received from French & Hubbard with regard to the management of the heating and electrical apparatus installed in the Mechanic Arts High School-house.

Referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for consideration and report.

PETITION, WINTHROP SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

A petition was received from Fanny G. Patten, Secretary of the Winthrop School Association, under date of Nov. 1, 1908, stating that said association had unanimously voted to petition the Board that the name "Winthrop School" be transferred from the present building to the new school-house which is to be erected in its place.

Placed on file.

RETIREMENT OF TEACHERS ON PENSION.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, stating that he had received a request from each of the following-named teachers to be retired on pension, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:—

Bowdoin District—Elizabeth R. Preston, from Oct. 31, 1908.

Elliot District—Mary E. Wilkins, from Oct. 31, 1908.

Placed on file.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the following-named teachers in the public schools of this city be retired on pension from the date stated in connection with each name, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:—

Bowdoin District—Elizabeth R. Preston, from Oct. 31, 1908.

Elliot District—Mary E. Wilkins, from Oct. 31, 1908.

Passed, a majority of the Board voting in the affirmative.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 2, 1908, submitting a statement relative to the age or length of service of teachers retired by the Board in accordance with the foregoing order, under the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908, by which it appears that said teachers are respectively entitled to receive pensions at the following rates:—

Elizabeth R. Preston..... \$180

Mary E. Wilkins..... 180

Approved, and the communication placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 12:06 o'clock A.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Nov. 16, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:36 o'clock P. M.

Present: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis and Scannell.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Board was called to order by Mr. Brock, the senior member.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, Mr. Brock was elected Chairman pro tempore.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of Nov. 2. The appointments were approved.

CLAIM OF MARGARET DAVIS FOR INJURY TO DAUGHTER.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston.

Clerk of Committees Department,
In Committee on Claims, November 6, 1908.

VOTED: To recommend settlement of the claim of Margaret Davis for compensation for injuries to minor child received in the yard of the Hugh O'Brien School, June 9, 1905, by the payment of the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars.

Attest:—

John F. Dever,

Clerk of Committees.

City of Boston, Office of the Mayor, Nov. 11, 1908.

Referred to the School Committee for report.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis the Secretary was directed to transmit to His Honor the Mayor a statement of the facts in relation to this matter so far as they are known to this Board or its officials.

DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of the following-named teacher, which occurred Oct. 5, 1908:—

Dorchester High School—Oscar H. Bresee, special instructor in commercial branches, Nov. 13, 1908.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Frothingham District—Grace A. T. Hefron, assistant, Nov. 13, 1908.

Mather District—Isabel W. Davis, assistant, Jan. 1, 1909.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)
Bigelow District—Theobald A. Lynch, assistant, Nov. 3, 1908.

Lyman District—Marion R. Fenno, assistant, kindergarten, Nov. 3, 1908.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—John J. Cummings, assistant, Nov. 3, 1908.

Roger Wolcott District—Lucy E. Low, assistant, kindergarten, Nov. 3, 1908.

Washington District—Eleanor B. Jamison, assistant, Nov. 3, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Adams District—Martha F. McElroy, from Dec. 1, 1908.

Bennett District—Margaret E. McMahon, from Nov. 3 to 6, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Bigelow District—Mary L. Moran, Sept. 9, 19 and 11, 1908, three days.

Bowdoin District—Rose J. Geggis, from Nov. 2 to 16, 1908, inclusive; Margaret G. Hatch, from Nov. 17, 1908; Esther L. Kimball, from Oct. 6, 1908; Mary E. Smith, (class of 1899), Sept. 9, 1908, one day.

Comins District—Theresa C. Murray, from Nov. 17 until Dec. 7, 1908, inclusive.

Dwight District—Mary A. Mullin, Oct. 29, 1908, one day.

Eliot District—Mary J. O'Neil, from Nov. 19, 1908.

Emerson District—Gertrude A. A'Hearn, from Dec. 1, 1908.

Francis Parkman District—Annie E. Dennis, from Nov. 16, 1908.

Frothingham District—Esther L. McNellis, from Nov. 17 to Dec. 7, 1908, inclusive; Eva K. Boyce, from Nov. 16, 1908.

Hancock District—Jessie C. Davidson, from Dec. 1, 1908.

Horace Mann School—Marion E. Killion (special order), from Oct. 5, 1908.

Martin District—Mary M. Fitzgerald, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Mary Hemenway District—Anna L. McMurry, from Dec. 1 to 7, 1908, inclusive.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Frances M. Bell, Nov. 16, 1908, one day.

Phillips Brooks District—Elizabeth H. Mahar, from Dec. 1 to 7, 1908, inclusive.

Robert G. Shaw District—Mary I. Foley, from Nov. 16, 1908; Anna E. Fiske, kindergarten, Sept. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days.

Washington District—Mary F. Driscoll, Frances C. Lamb, from Nov. 17 to Dec. 7, 1908, inclusive; Gertrude P. Tobin, Nov. 6, 1908, one day.

Winthrop District—Anna E. Burke, from Dec. 1, 1908.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

John A. Andrew District—Agnes G. Cotter, assistant, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY NURSE.

Assistant Nurse—Mary G. Kenny, from Oct. 5, 1908.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Adams District—Martha F. McElroy, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Bowdoin District—Margaret G. Hatch, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Comins District—Theresa C. Murray, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Dearborn District—Teresa C. Hoyer, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Dwight District—Agnes T. Nolan, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Emerson District—Gertrude A. A'Hearn, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Frothingham District—Esther L. McNellis, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Hancock District—Jessie C. Davidson, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Helen M. West, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Lyman District—Harriet L. Dahl, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Mather District—Mary A. Starkey, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Mary Hemenway District—Anna L. McMurry, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Elizabeth H. Mahar, Henrietta L. Wallburg, assistants, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Washington District—Mary F. Driscoll, Frances C. Lamb, assistants, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Wells District—Mary F. O'Neil, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

William E. Russell District—Josephine M. Haney, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Charlestown High School—Miriam Harris, special instructor in physical training, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Dorchester High School—Sarah L. O'Toole, Elizabeth M. Wood, assistants, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Normal School—Leonard O. Packard, master, head of the department of science.

Girls' High School—Margaret J. Patterson, special assistant instructor in drawing.

Girls' High School of Practical Arts—W. Hollis Godfrey, master, head of the department of science.

High School of Commerce—Arthur J. Potch, special assistant.

Bennett District—Katherine R. McManus, assistant.

Bowditch District—Margaret G. Wilder, assistant.

Brimmer District—Anna T. O'Brien, assistant.

Lowell District—Sarah H. Pratt, assistant, kindergarten.

Rice District—J. Vida Spear, assistant.

Washington District—Josephine T. Collagan, assistant.

Washington Allston District—Annabelle L. Troupe, assistant.

Cookery—Mary A. Geary, teacher.

Sewing—Marguerite S. King, Elizabeth L. Rogers, teachers.

Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1908-09.

Central High School—Edwin H. Whitehill, assistant, from Oct. 26, 1908.

East Boston High School—Henry W. B. Arnold, Frederick G. Jackson, Charles T. Wentworth, assistants, from Nov. 2, 1908; Roy Davis, assistant, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Roxbury High School—George Benedict, Francis E. Mason, assistants, from Oct. 19, 1908; Alfred E. Wright, assistant, from Oct. 26, 1908; John Malick, special assistant, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Bowdoin School—Mary J. Hynes, assistant, from Nov. 2, 1908; Theresa C. Murray, assistant, from Nov. 2 until Dec. 7, 1908, inclusive; Gertrude A. LeBlanc, assistant, from Nov. 4, 1908.

Comins School—Edward L. Curran, assistant, from Oct. 29, 1908.

Franklin School—Charles Goggio, interpreter, from Nov. 3, 1908.

Hancock School—Mary A. Mullin, assistant, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Lyman School—Mary A. Sullivan, assistant, from Oct. 22, 1908; Anna J. Low, assistant, from Oct. 27, 1908; Philip D. Pisillo, interpreter, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Phillips Brooks School—Annie H. Fitzgerald, assistant, from Nov. 4, 1908.

Quincy School—Dorothy A. Busby, assistant, from Oct. 21 until Nov. 3, 1908; Mary I. Foley, assistant, from Nov. 4 to 11, 1908; Catherine G. Kelley, assistant, from Oct. 26, 1908; Mary M. Macdonald, assistant, from Oct. 23, 1908; Mary B. Waldstein, assistant, from Nov. 11, 1908; Marcus Horblit, interpreter, from Oct. 26, 1908.

Wells School—Isaac C. Arkin, interpreter, from Oct. 20 to 26, 1908; David Goldstein, interpreter, from Nov. 11, 1908; Annie J. Myerson, interpreter, from Oct. 20, 1908.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

William E. Russell District—Lucy B. Conner, assistant, to the same position in the Christopher Gibson District, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Lincoln Evening School—Mary F. Bowman, assistant, to the same position in the Phillips Brooks Evening School, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Phillips Brooks Evening School—Mary L. Barry, assistant, to the same position in the Wells Evening School, from Oct. 26, 1908.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUNDS.

Grace M. Quirk, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908.

Approved.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Edward Everett District—(Old Edward Everett Kindergarten), Lillian Rodin, from Sept. 9 until Oct. 1, 1908.

Francis Parkman Kindergarten—(Francis Parkman Kindergarten), Leslie N. Somes, from Nov. 9, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—(Samuel W. Mason Kindergarten), Catherine Parke, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Lowell District—(Wyman Kindergarten), Anna P. Kohler, from Nov. 13, 1908.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—(Benjamin Pope Kindergarten), Ethel I. Hillier, from Nov. 16, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:

Bowditch District—Margaret E. Winton, first assistant in charge, from Oct. 15, 1908, until Jan. 15, 1909.

Bowdoin District—Mabel West, assistant, from Nov. 16, 1908, until Mar. 16, 1909.

Dearborn District—C. Agnes Dailey, assistant, Oct. 28, 1908, one-half day.

Dillaway District—Elizabeth A. O'Neil, assistant, Oct. 28, 1908, one day.

Dwight District—Miriam Sterne, first assistant in charge, Nov. 9, 10 and 11, 1908, three days; Georgie M. Clarke, assistant, from Oct. 26, 1908, until Nov. 16, 1908.

Eliot District—Ida E. Malaney, assistant, Nov. 4, 1908, one-half day; Effie I. Seldis, assistant, Oct. 27, 1908, one-half day; Mary L. Sullivan, assistant, Nov. 4, 1908, one-half day, and Nov. 10, 1908, one-half day; Mary E. Wilkins, assistant, from Oct. 8 to 31, 1908.

Lowell District—Marguerite J. Martin, assistant, Oct. 23, 1908, one-half day.

Lyman District—Gertrude E. Mayo, assistant, Nov. 6, 1908, one day.

Mary Hemenway District—Martha E. Lang, assistant, Nov. 12 and 13, 1908, two days.

Minot District—Ida F. Wall, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Norcross District—Anna F. Gorman, assistant, Nov. 4, 1908, one day; Ethel N. Pope, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1908, until Jan. 1, 1909.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Blanche E. Fallon, assistant, Oct. 15, 1908, one day; Eleanor J. Murphy, assistant, Oct. 29, 1908,

one-half day; Mary C. Sinnott, assistant, Nov. 2, 1908, one-half day; Helen F. Tarpey, assistant, Oct. 19 and 20, 1908, one and one-half days.

Phillips District—Mary R. Kennedy, assistant, Nov. 12, 1908, one-half day; Mary E. Smith, assistant, Nov. 11, 1908, one day.

Phillips Brooks District—Fannie Barnett, assistant, Oct. 5, 1908, one day; Frances E. Dailey, assistant, Oct. 28, 1908, one-half day.

Prescott District—Elizabeth J. Doherty, assistant, Nov. 3, 4, 5 and 6, 1908, four days; Florence A. McDonough, assistant, Nov. 12, 1908, one-half day.

Sherwin District—Elizabeth B. Walton, master's assistant, Nov. 10, 1908, one-half day.

Shurtleff District—Anna E. Murphy, Marguerite S. Clapp, assistants, Nov. 2, 1908, one day, and Nov. 4, 1908, one-half day.

Thomas Gardner District—Annie E. Bancroft, assistant, Oct. 23, 1908, one day; Mary E. O'Neill, assistant, Nov. 6, 1908, one-half day.

Thomas N. Hart District—Evelyn M. Condon, assistant, Oct. 26, 1908, one-half day.

Wells District—Jennie L. Carter, assistant, Oct. 27, 1908, one-half day; Alice M. Hagerty, assistant, Oct. 28, 1908, one-half day.

Cookery—Mary E. Kinsley, teacher, Oct. 23, 1908, one day.

Supervising Nurse—Margaret E. Carley, Nov. 9, 1908, one day.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for study, travel or rest, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Lawrence District—Bertha M. Arnold, first assistant, kindergarten, from Jan. 5 until Sept. 1, 1909, for study.

Wells District—Ada C. Williamson, first assistant, kindergarten, from Dec. 1, 1908, until Sept. 1, 1909, for travel and rest.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of twenty-nine minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of one to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of a minor to sell newspapers, for violation of the conditions upon which said license was granted.

Approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO TEACHERS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That those teachers who were absent on Oct. 30, 1908, because of misinformation that the sessions of the public schools would be suspended on account of stormy weather, are hereby granted leave of absence for that day, without loss of pay.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

EMPLOYMENT OF OLGA A. F. STEGELMANN, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the employment in the Roxbury High School, beginning Nov. 3, 1908, of Olga A. F. Stegelmann, an assistant in the John A. Andrew District, for such portion of the school year 1908-09 as the Superintendent may deem expedient, is hereby authorized. Miss Stegelmann to be paid at the same rate as if she were teaching as an assistant in an elementary school.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That while Olga A. F. Stegelmann, because of her service in the Roxbury High School, is absent from her

regular position in the John A. Andrew District, her place in that district may be filled by a temporary teacher.

EMPLOYMENT OF SECOND SPECIAL ASSISTANT, HORACE MANN SCHOOL.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the employment of a second special assistant in the Horace Mann School is hereby authorized for the school year 1908-09, said employment to date from Oct. 5, 1908.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 16, 1908, stating that the principals of elementary schools report that there are no elementary school children now excluded from school because of lack of room, except that in one district there are a few cases of exclusion which will be taken care of as soon as the teachers appointed at this meeting are available for service. In several districts the established kindergartens will not accommodate all the applicants.

Placed on file.

OPEN-AIR CLASSES.

Dr. James J. Minot, Chairman of the commission appointed by the Board at its last meeting to investigate conditions affecting the health of children attending the public schools with a view to safeguarding the same and checking the progress of disease, appeared, and presented a partial report and sundry recommendations.

The report was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, a sub-committee was appointed, consisting of Dr. Scannell, the Superintendent, and the Director of School Hygiene, to procure a suitable location either on land under the jurisdiction of the Board of Park Commissioners or of the School Committee, and the use of a vacant portable building, to be moved, if necessary, and fitted up by the Board of School-house Commissioners for occupancy by the proposed open-air class to be conducted by this Board.

COURSE OF STUDY, EVENING INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 7, 1908, recommending that the course of study for the Evening Industrial Schools, as set forth in the proceedings of the School Committee of Sept. 29, 1908 (see p. 139), be amended by adding the following-named subjects: tool and jig making, and steam engineering.

Placed on file.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the course of study for the Evening Industrial Schools include free-hand drawing, mechanical drawing, ship draughting, machine drawing and architectural drawing, tool and jig making, steam engineering, and such courses in industrial mathematics related to these subjects as may be deemed expedient.

COURSE OF STUDY, HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 16, 1908, recommending that the course of study for high schools (School Document No 4, 1906), be amended as follows:—

Page 8. Physical Training. Strike out the first sentence of the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Physical training for girls consists of gymnastics throughout the four years. Physical training for boys consists of military gymnastics for the first year, and military drill for the following three years. No class or pupil is allowed, without good reason, to omit these physical exercises.

Page 14. Insert the following:—

Prescribed Study.

Physical Training IV. (Two points.)

Page 14. Elective Studies. Strike out the following item: "Physical Training IV. (Two points.)"

Laid over, and the Secretary directed to notify the Director of School Hygiene to appear at the next meeting of the Board with reference thereto.

JANITOR, 1448 COLUMBUS-AVENUE SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Nov. 9, 1908, pursuant to the action of the Board at its last meeting, stating that the Civil Service Commission has certified the following-named persons as eligible for appointment to the position of janitor of 1448 Columbus-avenue School: William A. Kingsley, Henry L. Wildes, and William J. Fleming.

Placed on file.

SALARY OF JANITOR, PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Nov. 7, 1908, recommending that the salary of the janitor of the Public Latin School be fixed to cover the care of any rooms in that building now used by the Central Evening High School, or which it may hereafter become necessary to use for that school.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Mageris, it was ORDERED, That the janitor of the Public Latin School shall be paid one dollar (\$1.00) for each evening the school is used by the Central Evening High School for evening school purposes, and on which the Evening Industrial School is not in session, such sum to be compensation for the attendance of the janitor and the supervision of the building.

In addition to the above sum he shall be paid for cleaning rooms used by the above evening high school for evening school purposes at the rates provided in the schedule of compensation for janitor service of evening high schools (see pp. 111, 112).

COMPENSATION OF JANITORS, EVENING INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Nov. 6, 1908, submitting a schedule of compensation for janitor service in Evening Industrial Schools.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, it was

ORDERED, That the compensation for janitor service of the several buildings occupied by the Evening Industrial School and its branches for the school year 1908-09 and until otherwise ordered shall be established as follows:—

Central School—Mechanic Arts High School.

The janitor of the Mechanic Arts High School shall be paid one dollar and five cents (\$1.05) for each evening the school is used for evening industrial school purposes, such sum to be compensation for the at-

tendance of the janitor, the supervision of the building and the necessary care and cleaning of the office of the principal of the evening industrial school, or room used for such purpose.

In addition to the foregoing sum the janitor shall be paid for cleaning rooms used for evening industrial school purposes as provided in the schedule of compensation for janitor service of evening high schools (see pp. 111, 112), except that the rate per room shall be eighteen cents (\$0.18).

The engineer shall be paid one dollar (\$1.00) for each evening the school is used for evening industrial school purposes, such sum to be compensation for the attendance of the engineer and the heating and ventilation of the building.

Charlestown Branch—Old City Hall, Charlestown.

The janitor of the Old City Hall, Charlestown, shall be paid one dollar and five cents (\$1.05) for each evening the school is used for evening industrial school purposes, such sum to be compensation for the attendance of the janitor, the supervision, heating and ventilation of the building and the necessary care and cleaning of the office of the first assistant in charge or room used for such purpose.

In addition to the foregoing sum he shall be paid for cleaning rooms used for evening industrial school purposes, twelve cents (\$.12) for each room used each evening.

East Boston Branch—Old East Boston High School.

The janitor of the Old East Boston High School shall be paid one dollar (\$1.00) for each evening the building is used for evening industrial school purposes, such sum to be compensation for the attendance of the janitor, the supervision of the building, and the care and cleaning of rooms used for evening industrial school purposes, including the office of the first assistant in charge or room used for such purpose.

The janitor of the East Boston Municipal Court Room Building shall be paid fifty cents (\$.50) for each evening the Old East Boston High School is used for evening industrial school purposes, such sum to be compensation for heating that part of the above building used for the above purpose and connected to the heating apparatus of the Municipal Court Room Building.

Roxbury Branch—Old Dearborn School.

The janitor of the Old Dearborn School shall be paid one dollar and eighty-five cents (\$1.85) for each evening the school is used for evening industrial school purposes, such sum to be compensation for all necessary supervision, heating and ventilation of the building (keeping steam up whenever necessary during the term of the evening industrial school), and the necessary care and cleaning of the office of the first assistant in charge, or room used for such purpose.

In addition to the foregoing sum he shall be paid for cleaning class rooms used for evening industrial school purposes twelve cents (\$.12) for each room used each evening.

Warren Avenue Branch—Public Latin School.

The janitor of the Public Latin School shall be paid one dollar and five cents (\$1.05) for each evening the school is used for evening industrial school purposes, such sum to be compensation for the attendance of the janitor, the supervision of the building and the necessary care and cleaning of the office of the first assistant in charge, or room used for such purpose.

In addition to the foregoing sum he shall be paid for cleaning rooms used for evening industrial school purposes at the rate provided in the schedule of compensation for janitor service of evening high schools (see p. 111).

JANITOR. 148 COLUMBUS-AVENUE SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 16, 1908, stating that he had interviewed the candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission as eligible for appointment to the janitorship of 148 Columbus-avenue School, and recommending that William A. Kinsley, who stands at the head of the list, be appointed to the position to date from Dec. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Magenis, the appointment of William A. Kinsley to said position approved from the date stated.

JANITOR. WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 16, 1908, stating that Robert J. Walsh, janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, is the only applicant for transfer to the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house, and recommending that he be transferred to said position, to date from Dec. 1, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the transfer of Robert J. Walsh to said position approved, from the date stated.

APPOINTMENT AND PAYMENT OF ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 16, 1908, submitting temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors, for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services as follows:—

Bailey-street School-house and Portables Nos. 70 and 84—William Flemming, reappointed from Nov. 12, 1908; amount due from Nov. 2 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$28.92.

1448 Columbus-avenue School—Charles Weihe, appointed from Nov. 5, 1908; amount due from Nov. 5 to 14, 1908, inclusive, \$3.33.

Joy-street Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100—Dennis J. Lenehan, reappointed from Nov. 2, 1908; amount due from Nov. 1 to 9, 1908, inclusive, \$12; Thomas Brennan, appointed from Nov. 10, 1908; amount due from Nov. 10 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$8.

Mead-street School-house—Thomas Brennan; amount due from Nov. 1 to 4, 1908, inclusive, \$4.40.

Walnut-street School-house — Thomas Brennan, appointed from Nov. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Thomas Brennan, Mead-street School-house, from Nov. 1 to 4, 1908, inclusive, four and 40-100 dollars (\$4.40); Joy-street Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100, from Nov. 10 to 15, 1908, inclusive, eight dollars (\$8).

To William Flemming, Bailey-street School-house and Portables Nos. 70 and 84, from Nov. 2 to 15, 1908, inclusive, twenty-eight and 92-100 dollars (\$28.92).

To Dennis J. Lenehan, Joy-street Portable School-houses Nos. 97, 98, 99 and 100, from Nov. 1 to 9, 1908, inclusive, twelve dollars (\$12).

To Charles Weihe, 1448 Columbus-avenue School, from Nov. 5 to 14, 1908, inclusive, three and 33-100 dollars (\$3.33).

SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 16, 1908, recommending that requisition be

made upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of candidates holding a second-class engineer's license or better who are eligible for appointment as a regular substitute janitor, the compensation to be at the rate of \$600 per annum.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

ENGINES, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 16, 1908, with regard to the management of the heating and electrical apparatus installed in the Mechanic Arts High School-house, recommending that Charles L. Drew, the present engineer, and his assistant, Richard Walsh be continued in their present positions, that a fireman be employed, with a consequent increase in the salary of the engineer to cover this extra expense, and also enclosing recommendations as to the experience and ability of Mr. Walsh. The Secretary also submitted a communication addressed to him by the Chairman of the Schoolhouse Commission stating that if the School Committee are prepared to take charge of this apparatus, that Board will see that the proper steps are taken to give the School Committee authority to run the plant without relieving the contractor of any responsibility which properly belongs to him.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

JANITOR. JAMES OTIS PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE NO. 27.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 16, 1908, stating that Portable School-house No. 27 has recently been transferred from the yard of the Appleton-street School-house to the yard of the James Otis School-house, and recommending that Edward H. Gilday, janitor of the latter building, be also appointed janitor of the portable building, to date from Nov. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the appointment of Edward H. Gilday to said position approved, from the date stated.

SALARY OF JANITOR. 30 CHURCH-STREET SCHOOL.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, it was ORDERED, That the salary of the janitor of the 30 Church-street School be established at the rate of one hundred twenty dollars (\$120) per annum, to date from Oct. 15, 1908.

PLAYGROUNDS.

A communication was received from the Director of School Hygiene, under date of Nov. 16, 1908, stating that in pursuance to the action of the Board at its meeting of Oct. 19, he had conferred with the Park Commission relative to the general conduct of the playgrounds, and transmitting a communication from the Secretary of that Board, under date of Nov. 16, prescribing regulations or conditions for such control, which the Director of School Hygiene believes will meet every requirement of the School Committee in its conduct of games, play, physical training, and athletics, contemplated by chapter 295 of the acts of 1907.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, laid on the table.

TRANSFER OF PUPILS FROM BLACK-INTON TO PAUL JONES SCHOOLS.

A petition was received from Hattie J. Shine and nineteen others, parents of pupils

in the eighth grade of the Blackinton School, under date of Oct. 30, 1908, protesting against the transfer of their children from the Blackinton to the Paul Jones School.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to notify the petitioners of the situation with respect to school accommodations in that district.

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SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS, SCHOOL CHILDREN.

A communication was received from Amy Woods, under date of Oct. 25, 1908, calling attention to certain difficulties that seem to occur in carrying out the provisions of the law relating to sight and hearing tests of school children.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to reply thereto.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING RATES, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Business Agent and laid on the table at the meeting of June 1, 1908 (see p. 94), with reference to electric lighting rates for school buildings, was taken from the table and placed on file.

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL COURSES, EVENING HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Superintendent and laid on the table at the meeting of Feb. 3, 1908 (see p. 25), with reference to the introduction of commercial and industrial courses in evening high and elementary schools, was taken from the table and placed on file.

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CHARGES FOR ELECTRICITY, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Communications were received from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, under dates of Nov. 7 and 12, 1908, requesting that bills previously rendered for electric light and power service for school buildings during the months of April to September, 1908, inclusive, be paid in full.

Placed on file.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 9:40 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Dec. 7, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:35 o'clock P.M.

Present: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis and Scannell.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Board was called to order by Mr. Ellis, the senior member then present.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, Mr. Ellis was elected Chairman pro tempore.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of Nov. 16.

The appointments were approved.

ESPERANTO, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, In Common Council,
October 22, 1908.

WHEREAS: Esperanto is today looked upon as the universal language for commercial purposes;

WHEREAS: Esperanto has been introduced in the regular course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and other leading colleges;

BE IT RESOLVED: That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to introduce Esperanto in the regular course in the Boston High School of Commerce.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, October 26, concurred.

A true copy,

Attest: W. J. Doyle,
Asst. City Clerk.

Office of the Mayor, Dec. 1, 1908.

Referred to the School Committee.

On motion of Mr. Magenis, referred to the Board of Superintendents for consideration and report.

CHELSEA CHILDREN ATTENDING BOSTON SCHOOLS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, In Common Council,
Nov. 12, 1908.

ORDERED, That the School Committee, through His Honor the Mayor, inform this Council at its next meeting if it is known that children who are residents of Chelsea are attending the public schools.

In Common Council, Nov. 12, 1908.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor,

A true copy,

Attest: Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.

City of Boston, Office of the Mayor, Nov. 16, 1908.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to inform the Common Council that so far as the Board is aware there are no residents of Chelsea attending the schools of this city.

DEATHS.

The Superintendent reported the deaths of the following-named teachers, which occurred on the dates stated:—

Bunker Hill District—Angella M. Knowles, assistant, Nov. 30, 1908.

Francis Parkman District—Mabel E. Smith, assistant, Dec. 3, 1908.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Lyman District—Sibyl M. Grimes, assistant, kindergarten, Jan. 1, 1909.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Charlestown High School—Abby M. Thompson, Margaret T. Wise, assistants; Dec. 1, 1908.

Bowdoin District—Sarah E. Brown, assistant, Nov. 17, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Everett District—Ella G. Finn, from Nov. 23, 1908.

Hugh O'Brien District—Margaret E. McMahon, from Sept. 16, 1908, one day; Margaret C. Regan, from Nov. 23, 1908, one day.

Lyman District—Margaret R. Flanagan, from Nov. 30, 1908.

Phillips Brooks District—Elizabeth L. Keefe, from Nov. 23, 1908.

Warren District—Elizabeth J. Turnbull, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Wells District—Ella M. Dolben, kindergarten, from Dec. 1, 1908.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dorchester High School—Grace I. Scott, special assistant instructor in commercial branches, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Hyde District—Caroline G. Tunis, assistant, from Nov. 30, 1908.

Winthrop District—Mary A. G. Jones, assistant, from Nov. 23, 1908.

Sewing—Ellen M. Wight, teacher, from Dec. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Agassiz District—Mary V. O'Regan, assistant, from Dec. 1, 1908.

Bennett District—Julia M. Fitzpatrick, assistant, from Dec. 21, 1908.

Bowditch District—Annie C. Shea, assistant, from Dec. 1, 1908; Adelaide G. Nelson, assistant, from Dec. 21, 1908.

Dwight District—James F. Tyrrell, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Lawrence District—Margaret M. Sullivan, assistant, from Dec. 9, 1908.

Rice District—William A. Reed, sub-master, from Dec. 1, 1908.

Sherwin District—Katherine E. Hurley (class of 1905), assistant, from Dec. 7, 1908.

Manual Training—Nellie N. Nolan, assistant instructor, from Dec. 7, 1908.
Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Emerson District—Ella F. Murray, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.
Lyman District—Sibylla R. Crawford, assistant, kindergarten, from Jan. 4, 1909.
Minot District—Anna E. Burke, assistant, from Dec. 22, 1908.
Norcross District—Alice M. Flanagan, assistant, from Dec. 22, 1908.
Laid over.

(By Promotion.)

Girls' Latin School—Alice M. Smith, Mary R. Stark, assistants, from Dec. 1, 1908.
Laid over.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Bennett District—Mary R. Quinn, assistant.
Brimmer District—Hope Davison, assistant, kindergarten.
Dearborn District—Mary L. Kelly, Mary G. Kenney, assistants.
Dudley District—Hugh J. McElaney, assistant.
Gaston District—Irene M. Walsh, assistant.
Gilbert Stuart District—Verna G. Pitt, assistant; Ellen W. Porter, first assistant, kindergarten.
Lincoln District—Stella F. Thomas, assistant.
Lyman District—Harriet L. Jewell, assistant.
Norcross District—Katherine J. Kincade, assistant.
Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Grace V. Walsh, assistant.
Quincy District—A. Teresa Fennelly, assistant.
Rice District—Helen M. Connelly, assistant.
Roger Wolcott District—Mary E. Jenkins, Bertha C. Quinnam, assistants.
Thomas N. Hart District—Lillian G. Norris, assistant.
Wells District—Lena H. Romberg, assistant.
Cookery—Mary E. Kinsley, teacher.
Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1908-09.

Central High School—Luther F. Elliott, assistant, from Oct. 19, 1908; Edwin F. Field, assistant, from Nov. 30, 1908.
Roxbury High School—Stanley A. Starratt, assistant, from Nov. 23, 1908.
South Boston High School—Louis P. Nash, assistant, from Nov. 23, 1908.
Bowdoin School—Veronica E. Doyle, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.
Comins School—Ellen M. Finnerty, assistant, from Oct. 22, 1908.
Franklin School—Elizabeth H. Mahar, assistant, from Oct. 21 until Dec. 11, 1908, inclusive; Grace A. Tully, assistant, from Oct. 19 until Nov. 16, 1908, inclusive; Frances E. Woods, assistant, from Nov. 20, 1908.
Phillips Brooks School—Gertrude P. Tobin, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.
Industrial School—John E. Bird, assistant, first year, from Nov. 16, 1908; Allan K. Sweet, assistant, second year, Edward F. Burke, J. Frederick Ryder, assistants, first year, from Nov. 18, 1908; Otto A. Johnson, assistant, first year, from Nov. 4, 1908; George E. Parsons, assistant, first year, from Oct. 26, 1908; Edward H. Temple, assistant, first year, from Oct. 23, 1908; Roscoe B. Whitten, assistant, first year, from Oct. 19, 1908.
Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Lincoln Evening School—Gladys L. Kelly, assistant, to the same position in the Comins Evening School, from Nov. 6, 1908.
Wells Evening School—Mary L. Barry, assistant, to the same position in the Bowdoin Evening School, from Nov. 23, 1908.
Placed on file.

EMERGENCY LIST.

Gertrude C. L. Lamper.
Approved.

ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Gaston District—(Tuckerman Kindergarten), Alice G. Coughlin, from Nov. 30, 1908.
Lewis District—(W. L. F. Boardman Kindergarten), Hazel L. Barker, from Nov. 24, 1908.
Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted each of the following-named teachers and nurses for the terms specified:—

Dorchester High School—Anna M. Fries, first assistant, from Nov. 2 until Dec. 1, 1908, inclusive; Ellen C. Griswold, assistant, from Nov. 12 until Dec. 25, 1908; Mary F. Stratton, special assistant instructor in physical training, Nov. 13, 1908, one day.
English High School—Thomas E. Winston, assistant instructor, Nov. 17, 1908, one day.
Girls' High School—Elizabeth E. Hough, assistant, Nov. 16, 1908, one day.
Agassiz District—May E. Ward, assistant, Nov. 25, 1908, one-half day; Emma F. West, assistant, Dec. 1, 1908, one-half day.
Bowditch District—Isabel P. Reagh, assistant, from Dec. 1, 1908, until Feb. 1, 1909.
Bunker Hill District—Mary E. Flanders, assistant, Dec. 1, 1908, one-half day.
Christopher Gibson District—Lucy B. Conner, assistant, Nov. 12, 1908, one day.
Edward Everett District—Lucy G. Flusk, assistant, Nov. 4, 5 and 6, 1908, three days.
Elliot District—Mary E. Hartnett, assistant, Nov. 19, 1908, one day.
Hancock District—Catherine C. O'Connell, Sophia G. Whalen, assistants; Nov. 24, 1908, one-half day.
Harvard District—Mary C. Leonard, assistant, Nov. 12, 1908, one-half day.
Hyde District—Augusta M. Wood, assistant, Nov. 30, 1908, one-half day.
Jefferson District—Edith E. Cox, assistant, from Nov. 23, 1908, until Mar. 23, 1909.
John A. Andrew District—Agnes M. Cochran, assistant, Nov. 10, 1908, one day.
Lewis District—Arvilla T. Harvey, assistant, Nov. 12, 13 and 16, 1908, three days.
Lowell District—Elsie D. Keniston, assistant, Nov. 20, 1908, one-half day.
Mary Hemenway District—Martha E. Lang, assistant, Nov. 12 and 13, 1908, two days; Anna M. White, first assistant, kindergarten, Nov. 19 and 20, 1908, two days.
Minot District—Mary E. Palmer, master's assistant, from Nov. 10 to 20, 1908, inclusive; Mabel A. Jepson, assistant, Nov. 17, 1908, one-half day.
Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Joanna G. Keenan, assistant, Nov. 12 and 13, 1908, two days.
Robert G. Shaw District—Blanche J. Conner, assistant, Nov. 19, 1908, one-half day; Frances A. Griffin, assistant, Nov. 30, 1908, one-half day; Martha B. Johnson, assistant, Nov. 20, 1908, one day.
Sherwin District—Elizabeth B. Walton, master's assistant, Dec. 4, 1908, one-half day.
Warren District—Katharine L. Roche, first assistant, kindergarten, from Dec. 1, 1908, until Feb. 1, 1909.
Washington District—Theresa E. Fraser, master's assistant, Nov. 24, 1908, one-half day.

Wells District—Agnes L. Berry, assistant, Nov. 16 and 18, 1908, two days; Nellie M. Durghin, assistant, Nov. 12, 1908, one-half day; Mary F. Finneran, assistant, Nov. 10, 1908, one-half day; Dora L. Lourie, assistant, Nov. 3, 1908, one-half day.

Manual Training—Mary E. Pierce, instructor, from Dec. 9, 1908, until Apr. 2, 1909, inclusive.

Assistant Nurses—Mary S. Doherty, Dec. 1, 2, 3 and 4, 1908, four days; Hulda H. Tingley, Nov. 4, 1908, one-half day.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without pay was granted each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Harvard District—Sarah R. Dodge, assistant, from Dec. 1, 1908, until Apr. 1, 1909.

Wells District—Amy V. Kingston, assistant, from Jan. 2 until Apr. 5, 1909.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirteen minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of four minors to sell newspapers, for violation of the conditions upon which said licenses were granted.

Approved.

PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION, DECEMBER, 1908.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, stating that section 346, paragraph 2 of the regulations provides that the taking of the first promotional examination in October of any year shall be optional to those teachers who were appointed between October 1 and December 31 two years before, and that elsewhere in the regulations it is provided that teachers who fail to take this first promotional examination in October shall not receive an advance in salary until September of the following year, and recommending that an additional promotional examination be offered, for this year only, in the month of December, to protect from loss any teachers who feel that they were justified in omitting the promotional examination this year.

Placed on file.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was:—

ORDERED, That the Board of Superintendents is hereby authorized to conduct during the month of December, 1908, a first promotional examination for the benefit of those teachers who, through a misunderstanding, failed to present themselves at the promotional examination held on Oct. 5, 1908.

USE OF NORMAL SCHOOL BY GRADUATE CLUBS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, with reference to a request received from the Head-Master of the Normal School for exemption from the charges for the use of the building and for janitor service in connection with various activities related to that school.

Placed on file.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the head-master of the Normal School be instructed, until otherwise ordered, to arrange the meetings of the graduate clubs of the Normal School so that the use of accommodations in the

Normal School building shall not be required for such purposes oftener than one afternoon each week during the school year, and that such meetings shall conclude not later than six o'clock P. M.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the regulations governing the use of school buildings be amended as follows:—

Sect. 14. Insert the following paragraph immediately before the paragraph which relates to school athletic clubs:—

Meetings of graduate clubs of the Normal School held in that building on not more than one afternoon of a regular school day in each week of the school year, and concluding not later than six o'clock P. M.

Insert immediately after the word "publications" in the fourth line of the paragraph defining exemptions from charges for janitor service, the following:—Meetings of Normal School graduate clubs held in the Normal School building.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, stating that a committee of the principals of the public schools had called his attention to the possibility of injustice being done by the application of section 336, paragraph 4, in its present form.

Placed on file.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 336, par. 4. Strike out the paragraph and substitute therefor the following:—

4. Members of the supervising staff and teachers who do not resume their duties on the second Wednesday in September and who are not granted leave of absence (1), because of personal illness, (2) because of critical illness or death in the immediate family, (3) to attend the funeral of a teacher or school officer in the employ of the city, (4) or by order of the Board on recommendation of the superintendent, shall be paid only for the days following their return.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Chapter xxiii. Strike out the chapter and substitute in place thereof the following:—

CHAPTER XXIII.

Minors' Licenses.

Section 40. No minor under the age of fourteen years shall, in any street or public place of the city of Boston, work as a bootblack, or sell or expose for sale any books, newspapers, pamphlets, fuel, fruits, provisions, ice, live animals, brooms, agricultural implements, hand tools used in making boots and shoes, agricultural products of the United States, or the products of his own labor or the labor of his family, unless he has a minor's license granted him by the School Committee, and a badge issued to him by the superintendent of schools of said city, for so working or for so selling said articles.

Sect. 41. The principal of a school or district, in which a minor under the age of fourteen years is a pupil, shall receive the application, in duplicate, of the parent or guardian of such minor or of any responsible citizen of Boston, for a license for such minor to work as a bootblack, or to sell any or all the articles enumerated in the preceding section, and shall forward to the superintendent of schools each application that he approves, certifying in

each case so approved that said minor is regular in attendance and fair in conduct. All such applications, if approved by the superintendent, shall be submitted by him to the School Committee at its first regular meeting in each month. When the School Committee grants a license, the superintendent shall return to said principal one of said duplicate applications for filing, retaining the other, and shall send to said principal a minor's badge, and said principal shall issue said badge to said minor, authorizing said minor to go about from place to place in the city of Boston, to sell newspapers, or to work as a bootblack, or in the streets or other public places in said city to sell any or all of the other articles enumerated in the preceding section.

Sect. 442. 1. The licensee shall return his badge to the principal of the school at which he attends on or before the date on which his license expires, or before leaving the city if he is to remove therefrom, or upon discontinuing selling.

2. When a badge has been lost, the licensee losing it shall immediately report his loss to the superintendent of schools, who, on application of said licensee, may issue a duplicate badge.

3. A charge of twenty-five cents shall be made for the use of each badge or of each duplicate badge, for one year or any part thereof.

Sect. 443. 1. The minor shall conform to the statutes, the ordinances of the city of Boston, and the regulations of the School Committee.

2. He shall, so long as he continues to be licensed, attend, during every session thereof, one of the public schools, or some regularly established school in the city of Boston, unless excused from such attendance in accordance with the provisions of the statutes.

3. He shall not sell, lend or give his badge to any one, nor furnish any unlicensed minor with newspapers or other articles to sell.

4. He shall not sell newspapers in or on a street car, nor during school hours, nor before 6:30 o'clock in the morning, nor after 8 o'clock in the evening, except that on days of national, state or city elections, he shall not sell after 10 o'clock in the evening.

5. He shall not at any time, while engaged in working as a bootblack, or selling articles in public places, congregate with other persons, nor make any unnecessary noise, nor in any way disturb or annoy persons as they pass, nor obstruct free passage of any sidewalk, or entrance to any public place.

6. He shall not at any time, while so working or selling, fail to wear his badge conspicuously in sight, in such position as may be designated by the superintendent.

7. Any minor who violates any of the foregoing provisions of the regulations will be deprived of his license and badge and will be subject to a fine.

8. The superintendent may suspend a license for a period not exceeding two weeks, or revoke a license, subject to the approval of the School Committee.

Sect. 444. Applications, licenses and badges shall be in such form as may be approved by the superintendent of schools.

Sect. 445. Licenses shall not be issued to girls, nor to boys who are under the age of eleven years.

Laid over.

The Superintendent offered the following:

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Add a section to Chapter XXV., to be numbered 467.

Sect. 467. The supervisor of licensed minors shall give attention to the enforcement of the regulations governing licensed minors. He shall keep a record of his

doings, especially of all cases of children investigated or in any way acted upon by him, and shall submit an annual report to the superintendent of schools.

Laid over.

APPOINTMENT OF MARY L. BARRY.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the appointment of Mary L. Barry as an assistant in the Phillips Brooks Evening School date from Oct. 26, 1908, instead of from Nov. 2, 1908.

TOOL BOY, CENTRAL EVENING INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the employment of a tool boy in the Central Evening Industrial School, to date from Nov. 18, 1908, whose compensation shall be at the rate of seventy-five cents (75c) for each evening of actual service, is hereby authorized.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS FOR SCHOOL CADETS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Regulations for the Boston School Cadets be amended by adding a section to be numbered XVII.

Presentations Forbidden.

XVII. The presentation of swords or other gifts to officers by members of cadet companies, and the giving of medals or other prizes or of entertainments to the companies by the officers, are forbidden.

ADMISSION TICKETS TO HIGH SCHOOL GAMES, ETC.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to issue general admission tickets to members of the Board, its officers, the director, assistant directors, instructors and assistant instructors in the department of school hygiene, and to head-masters of high schools, admitting them to all games, exhibitions, drills, entertainments and other forms of contests and amusements held under the auspices of the School Board, by pupils of the various high schools.

RETIREMENT OF TEACHERS ON PENSION.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, stating that he had received a request from each of the following-named teachers to be retired on pension, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:—

Girls' High School—Elizabeth L. Smith, from Dec. 31, 1903.

Dwight District—Mary E. Trow, from Dec. 31, 1908.

Winthrop District—Emma A. Gordon, from Jan. 31, 1909.

Placed on file.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the following-named teachers in the public schools of this city be retired on pension from the date stated in connection with each name, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:—

Girls' High School—Elizabeth L. Smith, from Dec. 31, 1908.

Dwight District—Mary E. Trow, from Dec. 31, 1908.

Winthrop District—Emma A. Gordon, from Jan. 31, 1909.

Passed, a majority of the Board voting in the affirmative.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, submitting a statement relative to the age or length of service of teachers retired by the Board in accordance with the foregoing order, under the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908, by which it appears that said teachers are respectively entitled to receive pensions at the following rates:—

Emma A. Gordon.....	\$180
Elizabeth L. Smith.....	180
Mary E. Trow.....	180

Approved, and the communication placed on file.

SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Nov. 27, 1908, stating that, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Nov. 16, 1908, the Civil Service Commission has certified the following-named persons as eligible for appointment to the position of permanent substitute janitor: John Maitland, George F. Barker, Thomas F. Powell.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES, COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Dec. 1, 1908, submitting a statement showing the appropriations, expenditures and balances for the first eleven months of the current financial year, the expenditures for the whole of the last financial year, and the expenditures for the corresponding eleven months of last year with the increase in the several items, also a supplement under date of Dec. 5, showing the balances to Dec. 1, 1908, and the expenditures for Nov. 1908.

Placed on file.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Dec. 4, 1908, submitting a statement showing the original appropriation for supplies and incidentals, the appropriation as amended by the Board of Apportionment May 21, 1908, and the expenditures and balances to Dec. 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF BALANCES OF APPROPRIATIONS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Dec. 5, 1908, stating that there will be deficits in one or more items of the annual appropriation and unexpended balances in others, and recommending that authority be granted to make such transfers as may be necessary.

Placed on file.

Dr. Scannell offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the Business Agent is hereby authorized to transfer any unexpended balance from any of the items in the annual appropriation order to any other item in the same order.

The order passed by the following vote:—
Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis and Scannell—4.

Absent—Mr. Storrow—1.

TUITION OF BOSTON PUPILS IN EVERETT SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Dec. 2, 1908, recommending that the city of Boston pay the tuition of and issue permits to children (now two in number) residing in that part of Charlestown adjoining Everett and lying beyond the Mystic River, to attend the Everett Schools, on account of the dis-

tance which they are compelled to travel to attend a Boston school.

Placed on file, and it was

ORDERED, That the Business Agent is hereby authorized to issue permits to children residing in that part of Charlestown adjoining Everett and lying beyond the Mystic River to attend school in Everett, the city of Boston to pay tuition for such attendance.

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANT, OFFICE OF BUSINESS AGENT.

A communication was received from the Business Agent, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, stating the necessity for the employment of an additional assistant in his office, and recommending that authority to make such appointment be granted.

Placed on file, and it was

ORDERED, That the employment of an additional assistant in the office of the Business Agent is hereby authorized.

SALARY DUE OSCAR H. BRESEE.

It was

ORDERED, That the salary due Oscar H. Bresee, late special instructor of commercial branches in the Dorchester High School, be paid to his widow, Ella J. Bresee.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 347, par. 4. Insert after the word "once" in the sixth line the words:—(exclusive of the increase granted at the time of promotion), so that the paragraph will read as follows:—

4. Teachers promoted to a higher rank in schools of the same class shall not be required to pass additional promotional examinations because of such promotion, but shall remain subject to the requirements of the regulations with respect to such examinations, and shall not be advanced in salary more than once (exclusive of the increase granted at the time of promotion) after their original appointment, until they shall have passed successfully the first promotional examination, and shall not be advanced in salary more than five times after their original appointment until they shall have passed successfully the second promotional examination.

Laid over.

RESIGNATION OF JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, enclosing the resignation of Frederick W. Brauer, as janitor of the Phineas Bates School-house and Portable No. 92, to date from Dec. 31, 1908.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

JANITOR, SHURTLEFF SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, submitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Shurtleff School-house, and recommending the transfer of Michael T. Reagan, janitor of the Norcross School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Jan. 1, 1909.

Placed on file, and the transfer of Michael T. Reagan to said position approved from the date stated.

JANITOR, OLD HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, submitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Old Horace Mann School-house, and recommending the transfer of John J. Holthaus, janitor of the Common-street School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Dec. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and the transfer of John J. Holthaus to said position approved from the date stated.

JANITOR, CUDWORTH PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE NO. 14.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, stating that Portable School-house No. 14 has recently been transferred from the yard of the Charles C. Perkins School-house to the yard of the Cudworth School-house, and recommending that Oliver E. Wood, janitor of the latter building, be also appointed janitor of the portable building, to date from Nov. 30, 1908.

Placed on file, and the appointment of Oliver E. Wood to said position approved from the date stated.

SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, stating that he had considered the candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission as eligible for appointment as a permanent substitute janitor, that John Maitland, who stands number one on the list, has declined to accept the position, and recommending the appointment of George F. Barker, who stands second on the list, to date from Dec. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and the appointment of George F. Barker to said position approved, from the date stated.

APPOINTMENT AND PAYMENT OF ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, submitting temporary appointments and reappointments of janitors, for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services as follows:—

1448 Columbus-avenue School—Charles Weihe, reappointed from Nov. 15 and from Nov. 25, 1908; amount due from Nov. 15 to 30, 1908, inclusive, \$5.33.

Old Horace Mann School-house—Thomas Brennan, appointed from Dec. 1, 1908.

Shurtleff School-house—John Bresnahan, appointed from Nov. 23, 1908; reappointed from Dec. 3, 1908; amount due from Nov. 23 to Dec. 2, 1908, inclusive, \$55.33.

Walnut-street School-house—Thomas Brennan, reappointed from Nov. 26, 1908; amount due from Nov. 16 to 30, 1908, inclusive, \$26.50.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

It was
ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Thomas Brennan, Walnut-street School-house, from Nov. 16 to 30, 1908, inclusive, twenty-six and 50-100 dollars (\$26.50).

To John Bresnahan, Shurtleff School-house, from Nov. 23 to Dec. 2, 1908, inclusive, thirty-five and 33-100 dollars (\$35.33).

To Charles Weihe, 1448 Columbus-avenue School, from Nov. 15 to 30, 1908, inclusive, five and 33-100 dollars (\$5.33).

PAYMENTS TO JANITORS OF PLAY- GROUNDS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, submitting the names of janitors who have performed extra service occasioned by the installation of permanent apparatus in various playgrounds, and recommending that they be paid the sum of \$23.67 each for services rendered from Oct. 19 to Nov. 24, 1908, inclusive.

Placed on file, and it was

ORDERED, That Edward P. Clark, janitor of the Hancock Playground, Edward C. Chessman, janitor of the Emerson Playground, Albion Elwell, janitor of the William E. Russell Playground, and Charles F. Hartson, janitor of the Phillips Brooks Playground, be paid the sum of twenty-three and 67-100 dollars (\$23.67) each for extra services rendered from Oct. 19 to Nov. 24, 1908, inclusive, in the aforesaid playgrounds.

FIRE IN MARY HEMENWAY SCHOOL- HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, reporting a fire in the boiler room of the Mary Hemenway School-house on Dec. 3, 1908, at about 11 o'clock P.M., causing a loss of about \$150, principally on tools and compressed air apparatus, and stating that the origin of the fire is unknown.

Placed on file.

RECERTIFICATION OF AREAS, PLUM- MER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 7, 1908, enclosing a recertification of the areas of the Plummer School-house, and recommending that the compensation of the janitor on the basis of these measurements date from Nov. 4, 1908.

Placed on file, and the Chairman authorized to approve the recertification, to take effect Nov. 4, 1908.

MATRON, BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL.

It was

ORDERED, That the appointment of Mary J. Slattery as matron of the Bigelow Evening School for the term of 1908-09, to date from Oct. 19, 1908, is hereby authorized.

It was

ORDERED, That the compensation of the matron of the Bigelow Evening School during the term of 1908-09 be established at the rate of one and 50-100 dollars (\$1.50) for each evening of actual service, to date from Oct. 19, 1908.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES.

The following order was offered:—

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Sect. 85, par. 2. Insert after the word "assistants" in the second line of said paragraph, the words:—and matrons, so that the paragraph will read as follows:—

2. He shall exercise general supervision and control over the janitors, engineers, and their assistants, and matrons, employed in the several school buildings, except the Mason-street building, see that the rules and regulations for their government are strictly enforced, and report to the Board, in writing, cases of negligence or inefficiency on the part of such employees.

Sect. 86. Strike out the word "and" in the second line immediately following the word "janitors," and insert after the word "engineers" in the second and third lines the words:—and matrons, so that the section will read as follows:—

Sect. 86. He shall, subject to the approval of the Board, appoint, transfer and remove janitors, engineers and matrons, and may make temporary appointments of such employees for a period not exceeding ten days.

Sect. 87. Strike out the word "or" in the second line, and insert after the word "engineer" in the same line the words:— or matron, so that the section will read as follows:—

Sect. 87. He may suspend, for the good of the service, any janitor, engineer or matron for a period not exceeding fifteen days, but shall immediately report such action to the Board, in writing, with full particulars.

Sect. 88. Strike out the word "and" in the fourth line, and insert after the word "engineers" in the same line, the words:— and matrons, so that the section will read as follows:—

Sect. 88. He shall visit and inspect the school buildings from time to time, and as frequently as circumstances shall permit, and shall advise and instruct janitors, engineers and matrons in the performance of their duties.

Laid over.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES FOR MATRONS.

The following order was offered:—

ORDERED, That the rules for matrons be amended as follows:—

Rule 1. Strike out the rule, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Rule 1. Matrons shall discharge their duties under the supervision of the principals of the respective schools to which they are assigned, subject to the general control of the Schoolhouse Custodian.

Add the following rule:—

Rule 10. No matron shall absent herself from duty without the written permission of the Schoolhouse Custodian. Matrons absent from duty on account of sickness, or through some emergency beyond their control, shall immediately notify the principal or teacher in charge and the Schoolhouse Custodian.

No compensation shall be allowed and paid matrons absent from duty during the period of their absence.

Laid over.

APPROVAL OF PAY ROLLS AND BILLS.

It was

ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of December, 1908, prepared and certified to by the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Brock.

INVESTIGATION BY NATIONAL IMMIGRATION COMMISSION OF RACES OF CHILDREN.

A communication was received from W. W. Husband, Secretary of the Immigration Commission, under date of Nov. 28, 1908, stating that said Commission has in contemplation an investigation of the races of children in the public schools of the larger cities of the United States, and requesting the cooperation of the School Board in obtaining the information.

Placed on file, and it was

ORDERED, That the United States Government be allowed to collect the information which it has requested in the foregoing communication.

UNION LABEL ON SCHOOL BOOKS.

A communication was received from Henry Abrahams, Secretary of the Boston Central Labor Union, under date of Nov. 24, 1908, requesting that the School Committee have the union label of the Allied Printing Trades Council placed on all

school books supplied to the City of Boston.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to inform the Secretary of the Boston Central Labor Union that, under an opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated Oct. 3, 1905, the School Committee has no legal right to take into consideration what in its opinion would be the best rules for the state to adopt in its dealings with organized labor or with home manufactures. It cannot direct that no text-books shall be purchased unless printed and bound by union labor and bearing the label of the Allied Printing Trades Council.

SCHOOL TELEPHONE SERVICE.

The communication received from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company at the meeting of Sept. 8, 1908, giving notice of the intention of said company to discontinue the non-guaranteed coin box telephone service now furnished to certain of the public schools, laid over at the meeting of Sept. 8 (see p. 125), was placed on file.

PLAYGROUNDS.

The communication received from the Director of School Hygiene at the meeting of Nov. 16, 1908 (see p. 169), transmitting a communication from the Secretary of the Park Commission, relative to the general conduct of playgrounds, was taken from the table, and placed on file, and his recommendation that the accompanying regulations or conditions prescribed by the Park Commission for the conduct of playgrounds be approved, was adopted.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

Mr. Magenis offered the following:—

ORDERED. That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 202. Insert in the seventh line before the word "calendar" the word:—second, so that the section will read as follows:—

Sect. 202. All day schools shall be in session from the second Wednesday in September up to and including the Friday of the second calendar week preceding the Fourth of July, except on Saturdays and Sundays, and the following vacations and holidays: From 12 o'clock noon on the day before Thanksgiving Day until the following Monday; from 12 o'clock noon on the second calendar day immediately preceding Christmas Day to and including the first day of the following January; the twenty-second day of February; Good Friday; the week beginning with the first Monday in April; the Nineteenth of April; Memorial Day; and the Seventeenth of June. Whenever any of the aforesaid holidays, except the first day of January, falls upon Sunday, the schools shall not be in session on the following Monday.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

OFFICES CLOSED DECEMBER 26.

On motion of Mr. Brock, and under a suspension of the rules, the offices of the School Committee were ordered to be closed on Saturday, Dec. 26, 1908.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The Board went into executive session. The doors were opened.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 11:43 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Dec. 21, 1908.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 8:49 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Magenis, Scannell and Storrow.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

The reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation, as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the meeting of Dec. 7, 1908.

The appointments were approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS; AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS AND RULES FOR MATRONS.

The order offered by the Superintendent and laid over at the last meeting, amending section 336, paragraph 4, of the regulations, relative to the absence of members of the supervising staff or teachers at the opening of the schools in September (see p. 173) was taken up and passed.

The order offered by the Superintendent and laid over at the last meeting, amending sections 440, 441, 442, 443, 444 and 445 of the regulations, relative to minors' licenses (see pp. 173, 174), was taken up and passed.

The order offered by the Superintendent and laid over at the last meeting, amending section 467 of the regulations, relative to the duties of the supervisor of licensed minors (see p. 174), was taken up and passed.

The order offered by the Superintendent and laid over at the last meeting, amending section 347, paragraph 4, of the regulations, relative to promotional examinations of teachers promoted to positions of higher ranks (see p. 175), was taken up and passed.

The orders offered and laid over at the last meeting, amending section 85, paragraph 2, and sections 86, 87 and 88 of the rules, relative to matrons, and amending rules 1 and 10 of the rules for matrons (see pp. 176, 177), were taken up and passed.

TEMPORARY SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Dec. 18, 1908, reporting that the manual training class in the Hancock Annex has been moved into temporary quarters in a building located at 26 South Russell street; that the two rooms so vacated have been occupied by a primary class from the Cushman School and the class known as the "steamer class" formerly

located at 20 Parmenter street; that the kindergarten class in the North Margin-street building has been moved to room 2 in the Cushman School; and that the North Margin-street building has been closed.

Referred to the Superintendent for further report.

DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of the following-named teacher, which occurred on the date stated:—

Dorchester High School—Ellen C. Griswold, assistant, Dec. 13, 1908.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

(To Retire from the Service.)

Girls' High School—J. Loretta Nagle, special assistant instructor in physical training, Jan. 1, 1909.

Franklin District—Ida M. Mitchell, assistant, Jan. 4, 1909.

Frothingham District—Lena E. Campbell, assistant, Jan. 1, 1909.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Grace Hall, first assistant in charge, Jan. 1, 1909.

(To Accept Promotion in the Service.)

Charlestown High School—Miriam Harris, special assistant instructor in physical training, Dec. 8, 1908.

Dorchester High School—Sarah L. O'Toole, Elizabeth M. Wood, assistant instructors, Dec. 8, 1908.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Bennett District—Edith F. Russell, kindergarten, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Charles Sumner District—Violet E. Barry, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Dillaway District—Margaret C. Regan, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Gilbert Stuart District—Elizabeth F. Lee, kindergarten, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Prescott District—Gertrude E. Welch, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Rice District—Mary E. Shea, Dec. 4, 1908, one-half day.

Sherwin District—Margaret E. McMahon, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Wells District—Gertrude P. Tobin, Nov. 10, 1908, one-half day.

Winthrop District—Mary L. Barry, from Dec. 22, 1908.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

(From the Eligible List.)

Girls' High School—Katherine E. Cufflin, assistant instructor, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Frothingham District—Mary L. Murphy, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Bowditch District—Anne C. Shea, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Francis Parkman District—Frances M. Flanagan, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Dwight District—Teresa A. Hurley, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Edward Everett District—Emma F. Ditchett, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Dwight District—Anna M. Meyer, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Lyman District—Myrtle A. Adams, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Lewis District—Dorothy M. Carney, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Adams District—Agnes R. Driscoll, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules.

(By Promotion.)

Bennett District—Maude E. Rice, first assistant in charge, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Katherine J. Daily, first assistant in charge, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Brimmer District—John J. Maloney, sub-master.

Lowell District—Louise Graham, assistant.

Lyman District—Mary C. Carr, assistant.

Phillips District—Mary E. Smith, assistant.

Roger Wolcott District—Sigrid T. Larson, Anna L. Sullivan, assistants.

Washington Allston District—Jessie W. Kelly, master's assistant.

Wells District—Dora L. Lourie, Fannie W. Weeks, assistants.

Winthrop District—Anna M. Murray, assistant.

Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1908-09.

Central High School—Fred H. Cowan, laboratory assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Roxbury High School—John H. Wilson, typewriting assistant, from Jan. 4, 1909.

Hancock School—Annie C. Shea, assistant, from Nov. 30 until Dec. 7, 1908, inclusive.

Wells School—Mary H. O'Reilly, assistant, from Nov. 17, 1908.

Industrial School—Richard A. Taylor, tool-keeper, from Nov. 30, 1908.

Approved.

TRANSFER.

Bowditch District—Martha T. Howes, assistant, to the same position in the Comins District, from Jan. 1, 1909.

Placed on file.

EMERGENCY LIST FOR EVENING SCHOOLS.

Leon C. Colman, Oscar H. Peters, Henry C. Short.

Approved.

ATTENDANT IN A KINDERGARTEN.

Longfellow District—(Unitarian Church Kindergarten), Elsie M. Oberacker, from Dec. 8, 1908.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted each of the following-named teachers and a nurse for the terms specified:—

Normal School—Rose A. Carrigan, assistant, from Dec. 2 to 23, 1908.

Public Latin School—Joseph L. Powers, junior master, Dec. 9, 1908, one day.

Girls' Latin School—Abby C. Howes, first assistant, from Jan. 4 to 30, 1909.

High School of Commerce—Owen D. Evans, master, from Nov. 23 until Dec. 24, 1908.

Bennett District—Mary E. A. McPherson, assistant, Dec. 18, 1908, one day.

Bunker Hill District—Harriet H. Norcross, master's assistant, Dec. 14, 1908, one-half day.

Charles Sumner District—Josie E. Evans, assistant, Dec. 9, 1908, one-half day.

Dillaway District—Annie E. McCormick, assistant, Dec. 9, 1908, one-half day.

Emerson District—Eliza J. Murphy, assistant, Dec. 9 to 14, 1908, inclusive, four days.

Everett District—Estelle M. Williams, assistant, Dec. 7, 1908, one-half day.

Hancock District—Margaret Mulligan, assistant, Nov. 23 until Dec. 1, 1908, four and one-half days.

Horace Mann School—Sarah A. J. Monro, assistant, from Jan. 4 until Apr. 1, 1909.

Hyde District—Susan J. Ginn, master's assistant, Dec. 7 and 8, 1908, two days; Mary A. McKinlay, assistant, Dec. 3, 1908, one day; Celia Bamber, assistant, Dec. 15, 1908, one day.

Lewis District—Agnes R. Elliott, first assistant, kindergarten, Dec. 7, 1908, one day; Alice D. Burke, assistant, from Dec. 1 to 25, 1908.

Lowell District—Cora F. Sanborn, assistant, from Jan. 1 until Apr. 1, 1909.

Minot District—Mary B. Johnson, first assistant, kindergarten, Dec. 8, 1908, one day.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Aloyse B. Tierney, assistant, Dec. 7, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips District—Ella J. Boyle, assistant, Dec. 14, 1908, one-half day.

Phillips Brooks District—Mary C. Maloy, assistant, Dec. 7, 1908, one-half day.

Roger Wolcott District—Marguerita C. McDermott, assistant, kindergarten, Dec. 4, 1908, one day.

Shurtleff District—Florence G. Frazer, assistant, Dec. 10 to 16, 1908, four days.

Thomas N. Hart District—Evelyn M. Condon, assistant, Dec. 15, 1908, one-half day.

Washington District—Joseph B. Egan, sub-master, Dec. 8, 1908, one-half day; Gertrude F. Sullivan, assistant, Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, 1908, two days.

Wells District—Lilian C. Burbank, assistant, from Jan. 4 until March 4, 1909.

William E. Russell District—Jessie D. Stoddard, first assistant, grammar school, Nov. 24, 1908, one-half day.

Manual Training—Celia B. Hallstrom, instructor, Dec. 8 and 9, 1908, one and one-half days; Mary I. Donlan, assistant instructor, Dec. 14, 1908, one day.

Sewing—Mary T. Hassett, teacher, Dec. 7, 1908, one day.

Assistant Nurse—Edith W. Sheehan, from Nov. 1 to 30, 1908.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for travel and rest, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted the following-named teacher, for the term specified:—

Minot District—Katherine M. Adams, assistant, from Jan. 1 until Apr. 1, 1909.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence without pay was granted each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

Comins District—Martha T. Howes, assistant, from Jan. 1 until Sept. 1, 1909.

Dwight District—Mary V. Gormley, assistant, from Jan. 1 until Sept. 1, 1909.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of nine hundred forty-three minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of seventy to be licensed to black boots, and of five to be licensed to act as peddlers, said licenses to be in force during the year 1909.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of three minors, for violation of the conditions upon which said licenses were granted.

Approved.

MINORS' LICENSES.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the licensing of minors who will become eleven years of age during the calendar year 1909 and who were licensed during the calendar year 1908 or any portion thereof, is hereby authorized.

ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION OF TEACHERS FILLING POSITIONS OF HIGHER RANK TEMPORARILY.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That for the year ending Aug. 31, 1909, any teacher who may be designated by the Superintendent to fill a vacancy caused by the absence on leave of a principal of a school or district or of a director or head of a special department for a continuous period exceeding two weeks, shall receive, in addition to his or her regular salary, one-half of the difference between the said salary and the minimum salary of the higher position, during the time of such service, but not including the summer vacation. Teachers who may similarly be designated to fill positions of master's assistant, or first assistant in charge, shall be paid at the rate of eight dollars (\$8.00) per month in addition to the regular salary of their rank.

EXPENDITURE FOR ASSISTANCE AT TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the expenditure of a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars (\$600) is hereby authorized in payment for assistance required by the Board of Superintendents at teachers' examinations held during the financial year 1908-1909.

SUBSTITUTION OF HOLIDAYS FOR SUPERVISOR OF LICENSED MINORS.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to substitute for the Christmas holidays to which the supervisor of licensed minors is entitled a like period of time later in the winter.

PAYMENT TO FRED H. COWAN.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the payment of the sum of twenty-two dollars (\$22) to Fred H. Cowan for services as laboratory assistant in the Central Evening High School from Nov. 16, 1908, to Dec. 11, 1908, inclusive, eleven (11) evenings, is hereby authorized.

PAYMENT TO JOHN H. WILSON.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was ORDERED, That the payment of the sum of forty-eight dollars (\$48) to John H. Wilson for services as typewriting assistant in the Roxbury Evening High School from Oct. 19, 1908, to Dec. 11, 1908, inclusive, twenty-four (24) evenings, is hereby authorized.

RETIREMENT OF TEACHERS ON PENSION.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 21, 1908, stating that he had received a request from the following-named teacher to be retired on pension, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:—

Chapman District—Mary E. Buffum, from Jan. 31, 1909.

Placed on file.

The Superintendent offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the following-named teacher in the public schools of this city be retired on pension from the date stated in connection with her name, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908:—

Chapman District—Mary E. Buffum, from Jan. 31, 1909.

Passed, all the members of the Board voting in the affirmative.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 21, 1908, submitting a statement relative to the age or length of service of the teacher referred by the Board in accordance with the foregoing order, under the provisions of chapter 589 of the acts of 1908, by which it appears that said teacher is entitled to receive a pension at the following rate:—\$180.

Approved, and the communication placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS, REVISION OF ITEMS.

A communication was received from the Board of Apportionment, under date of Dec. 21, 1908, pursuant to the action of the School Committee at the meeting of Nov. 2 (see p. 161), instructing said Board to prepare and report a list of items which would constitute a suitable subdivision of the appropriation for supplies and incidentals in the annual appropriation order, recommending an accompanying subdivision for the financial year 1909-10.

Placed on file, the recommendation adopted, and the Auditor directed to prepare the annual appropriation order for the ensuing year in accordance therewith.

DEATH OF JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 8, 1908, reporting the death of James Mitchell, janitor of the Shurtleff School-house, which occurred on Nov. 22, 1908.

Placed on file.

DISCONTINUANCE OF, AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO JANITOR OF, NORTH MARGIN-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 21, 1908, reporting the discontinuance of the North Margin-street School-house for school purposes, and recommending that the janitor, Mary McDermott, be granted leave of absence with pay until Jan. 1, 1909, in anticipation of a vacancy in the service in the near future.

Placed on file, and leave of absence with pay granted accordingly.

JANITORSHIP, COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 19, 1908, stating that William A. Kinsley, janitor of the 1448 Columbus-avenue School-house, is the only applicant for transfer to the janitorship of the Common-street School-house, and recommending that he be transferred to said position, to date from Dec. 16, 1908.

Placed on file, and the transfer of William A. Kinsley to said position approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, NORCROSS SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 21, 1908, submitting a list of applicants for

transfer to the janitorship of the Norcross School-house, and recommending the transfer of Robert A. Butler, janitor of the Charles C. Perkins and Portable School-houses, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Jan. 1, 1909.

Placed on file, and the transfer of Robert A. Butler to said position approved from the date stated.

JANITORSHIP, PHINEAS BATES SCHOOL-HOUSE AND PORTABLE NO. 92.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 21, 1908, submitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Phineas Bates School-house and Portable No. 92, and recommending the transfer of John D. Devine, janitor of the Mt. Vernon-street School-house, who stands at the head of the list, to the position, to date from Jan. 1, 1909.

Placed on file, and the transfer of John D. Devine to said position approved from the date stated.

APPOINTMENT AND PAYMENT OF ACTING JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 19, 1908, submitting a temporary appointment and reappointments of janitors, for periods of ten days or less, and amounts due for such services, as follows:—

1448 Columbus-avenue School—Charles Weihe, appointed from Dec. 16, 1908.

Old Horace Mann School-house—Thomas Brennan, reappointed from Dec. 11, 1908; amount due from Dec. 1 to 15, 1908, inclusive, \$21.50.

Shurtleff School-house—John Bresnahan, reappointed from Dec. 13, 1908; amount due from Dec. 3 to 12, 1908, inclusive, \$35.33.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

It was

ORDERED, That for services rendered as acting janitors of various school-houses, payments be made as follows:—

To Thomas Brennan, Old Horace Mann School-house, from Dec. 1 to 15, 1908, inclusive, twenty-one and 50-100 dollars' (\$21.50).

To John Bresnahan, Shurtleff School-house, from Dec. 3 to 12, 1908, inclusive, thirty-five and 33-100 dollars (\$35.33).

EXPENDITURE FOR LECTURERS, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

A communication was received from the Advisory Committee of Business Men for the High School of Commerce, under date of Dec. 10, 1908, recommending the incorporation of the sum of \$750 in the annual appropriation order for the ensuing year, for the employment of special lecturers in the High School of Commerce.

Placed on file, and the Auditor directed to include an item in the annual appropriation order for 1909-10 chargeable to salaries of instructors, in accordance with the foregoing recommendation.

GRADUATING PUPILS TO VISIT SCHOOLS OF HIGHER GRADES.

A communication was received from A. Lincoln Filene, under date of Dec. 4, 1908, suggesting that in order to influence a choice of some higher school of learning and training on the part of pupils about to be graduated from or to leave the elementary or high schools, certain days be set apart, preferably two or three times during the year of graduation, for

a personally conducted visit of groups of such pupils to the different higher schools.

These visits would afford opportunities to enable the pupils intelligently to canvass the fields of further study in co-operation with parents, teachers, and officials, bring to the pupils proper advice at a time when they need such guidance, and help parents wisely to decide as to the future of their children, and perhaps strengthen their desire to keep their children longer within educational influences.

Referred to the Board of Superintendents for consideration and report.

ADMISSION TICKETS TO HIGH SCHOOL GAMES, ETC.

It was

ORDERED, That the authority given the Superintendent at the last meeting, relative to the issue of admission tickets to high school games, etc., is hereby extended to allow the issue of such tickets to members of the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS GOVERNING USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

It was

ORDERED, That the regulations governing the use of school buildings be amended as follows:—

Section 14. Strike out the paragraph defining exemptions from charges for janitor service, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

No charge shall be made for janitor service in connection with meetings of teachers, pupils, or other persons connected with, or in the interests of, the public schools, public school publications, or school activities generally, or with entertainments, the net proceeds of which are to be used for the benefit of the schools, held during the afternoon of a regular school day, that do not interfere with the work of the janitor, impose any substantial amount of additional labor upon him, or require him to remain on or about the premises later than 5:30 o'clock P.M., nor shall such charge be made for meetings of graduate clubs of the Normal School held in that building on regular school days, and concluding not later than 6 o'clock P.M.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The following order was offered:—

ORDERED, That the rules and regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 5. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sec. 5. The superintendent shall be elected during the month of June, 1906, and during the month of April in each sixth year thereafter, and shall hold office for the term of six years from the first day of September in the year of his election; provided, that his employment shall terminate on the thirty-first day of August next following his seventieth birthday.

Section 6. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sec. 6. The assistant superintendents shall be elected during the month of June, 1906, and shall hold office as follows: 'One for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, one for five years, and one for six years, from the first day of September in said year; and annually thereafter one assistant superintendent shall be elected during the month of April, who shall hold office for the term of six years from the first day of September in the year of his election; provided, that their employment shall ter-

minate on the thirty-first day of August next following their seventieth birthday.

Section 143, paragraph 2. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

2. Certificates issued on examination after June 1, 1906, shall cease to be valid on the thirtieth day of June of the sixth year following the date of issue, provided that no certificate shall remain valid after the thirtieth day of June next following the fortieth birthday of the holder thereof, except as hereinafter provided, and that this limitation as to age shall not affect the validity of certificates issued prior to January 1, 1909.

Section 144, paragraph 1. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

1. No person shall, after January 1, 1909, except as hereinafter provided in this section, be appointed to a permanent position as a member of the supervising staff or as a teacher in the public schools, whose name does not appear among the highest three of the names on the proper eligible list willing to accept such appointment, without regard to the dates on which the names were placed on said list; nor shall any person be appointed in accordance with the provisions of this section to take effect later than the thirtieth day of June following the fortieth birthday of such person; provided, however, that these restrictions shall not affect the promotion of a permanent teacher to a higher rank in a school of the same class as that in which such teacher is already employed.

Insert the following paragraph to be numbered 2:—

2. The names of persons appointed to permanent positions in the day school service shall be removed from the eligible lists, and any person whose name appears on such lists may, upon request, have the same removed therefrom.

Renumber former paragraph 2 as paragraph 3.

Strike out former paragraph 3.
Section 27L. Add the following paragraph to be numbered 2.

2. The employment of members of the supervising staff or teachers shall terminate on the thirty-first day of August next following the seventieth birthday of such persons.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

MINORS' LICENSES.

A communication was received from Philip Davis, Supervisor of Licensed Minors, under date of Dec. 21, 1908, submitting for consideration a bill and petition for further legislation relative to the sale of articles by minors, the object of which is to secure the enforcement of the license law through the adult who deals with the minor for profit.

Laid on the table.

UNION LABEL ON SCHOOL BOOKS.

A communication was received from Henry Abrahams, Secretary of the Boston

Central Labor Union, under date of Dec. 21, 1908, requesting a hearing on the question of placing union labels on school books.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to reply thereto to the effect that in view of the opinion of the Corporation Counsel dated Oct. 30, 1905, that the School Committee cannot direct that no text-books shall be purchased unless printed and bound by union labor and bearing the label of the Allied Printing Trades Council, a hearing on the subject seems unnecessary.

ENGINES, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

The communications received from the Schoolhouse Commission and the Schoolhouse Custodian and laid on the table at the meeting of Nov. 16, 1908 (see p. 169), relative to the management of the heating and electrical apparatus in the Mechanic Arts High School-house, were taken from the table and referred to Mr. Brock with full powers.

COURSE OF STUDY, HIGH SCHOOLS.

The communication received from the Board of Superintendents and laid over at the meeting of Nov. 16, 1908 (see pp. 167, 168), recommending certain amendments to the course of study for high schools, was taken up and placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ARTIFICIAL LIGHTING OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND THEIR COLOR SCHEMES.

The report of the Committee of Oculists and Electricians, received and laid on the table at the meeting of Dec. 2, 1907, (p. 180), relative to the artificial lighting and color schemes of school buildings, was taken from the table and placed on file.

VOTE OF THANKS TO CHAIRMAN.

Mr. Brock assumed the chair, and the following order was introduced and passed unanimously:—

ORDERED, That the Board desires at this, its last formal meeting of the year, to express its appreciation for the public-spirited and devoted service rendered by James J. Storrow, six years a member of this Board, and three years its Chairman.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The Board went into executive session. The doors were opened.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Dr. Scannell, the Board adjourned at 11:20 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

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